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M. W. BRO. AUBREY WHITE

Proceedings of the Grand Lodge
of
ANCIENT FREE and ACCEPTED MASONS
of Canada

IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

ESPECIAL COMMUNICATIONS

HELD AT

PICTON ON THE 10th MAY, 1912

CARP ON THE 7th JUNE, 1912

TORONTO ON THE 22nd JUNE, 1912

LONDON ON THE 24th JUNE, 1912

ALSO

**FIFTY-SEVENTH
Annual Communication**

HELD AT THE CITY OF TORONTO

19th and 20th July, A. D. 1912 A. L. 5912



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Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Canada

IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

PROCEEDINGS

*At an Especial Communication of the Grand Lodge of
A.F. & A.M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario,
held at the Town of Picton, on Friday, the 10th day
of May, A.D. 1912, A.L. 5912.*

Present:

M.W.Bro. Aubrey White.....	Grand Master.
R.W.Bro. Abraham Shaw.....	Past Grand Master.
R.W.Bro. F. Davey Diamond....	Deputy Grand Master.
R.W.Bro. L. R. Terwilliger.....	Grand Senior Warden.
R.W.Bro. H. C. Scully.....	Grand Junior Warden.
Bro. Rev. W. L. Armitage....	Grand Chaplain.
W.Bro. J. M. Smith.....	Grand Treasurer.
R.W.Bro. R. L. Gunn.....	Grand Secretary.
W.Bro. A. B. Roberts.....	Grand Senior Deacon.
W.Bro. J. H. Colden.....	Grand Junior Deacon.
W.Bro. A. R. Walker.....	Grand Supt. of Works.
V.W.Bro. F. L. Riggs.....	Grand Dir. of Ceremonies.
W.Bro. W. J. Gerow.....	Grand Organist.
W.Bro. H. U. Tobey.....	Grand Sword Bearer.
W.Bro. C. Clapp Spencer.....	Grand Registrar.
W.Bro. N. Ostrander.....	Grand Pursuivant.
W.Bro. R. E. Wright.....	} as Grand Stewards.
W.Bro. S. D. Noxon.....	
W.Bro. M. B. Noxon.....	
W.Bro. W. S. Blakeley.....	} as Grand Standard Bearers.
W.Bro. W. Haight	
W.Bro. Benjamin Young ...	
Bro. C. D. Hart.....	Grand Tyler.

Together with Masters, Past Masters and brethren hailing from various lodges.

Grand Lodge was opened in ample form at 10 o'clock a.m. by the M.W. the Grand Master, who announced that this Especial Communication of Grand Lodge had been called to assist him in laying the corner stone of St. Mary Magdalene Church.

The brethren acting as Grand Lodge Officers having received the necessary directions, Grand Lodge was called off, a procession was formed under the Grand Director of Ceremonies and marched to the site in the

prescribed order. taking up their proper positions at the northeast corner of the building.

The acting Grand Chaplain invoked a blessing, and the acting Grand Superintendent of Works read the following scroll and deposited it in the cavity in the stone:

In the Name and by the Favor of the Great Architect of the Universe

On the 10th day of May, A. D. 1912, A. L. 5912, in the Third
year of the reign of our Most Gracious Sovereign

George V.

By the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain
and Ireland, and of the British Dominions beyond the seas,
KING, Defender of the Faith, EMPEROR OF INDIA.

His Royal Highness, the DUKE OF CONNAUGHT & STRATH-
EARN, K.G., K.T., K.P., G.M.B., G.C.S.I., G.C.M.G.,
G.C.I.E., G.C.V.O., P.C., being GOVERNOR-
GENERAL of the Dominion of Canada.

His Honor, Sir JOHN MORISON GIBSON, K.C., LL.D., being
Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Ontario.

The Honorable ROBERT LAIRD BORDEN, LL.D., K.C., being Premier
of the Dominion of Canada.

The Honorable Sir JAMES PLINY WHITNEY, K.C., being Premier
of the Province of Ontario.

BERNARD R. HEPBURN, Esquire, being Member for the Constitu-
ency of Prince Edward County in the Parliament of the
Dominion of Canada.

ROBERT A. NORMAN, Esquire, being Member for the Constituency
of Prince Edward County in the Legislative Assembly
of the Province of Ontario.

M. W. Bro. AUBREY WHITE, being Grand Master of the Grand
Lodge of A.F. & A.M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

R. W. Bro. WM. DAVID MCPHERSON, being Deputy Grand Master
of the Grand Lodge of A.F. & A.M. of Canada,
in the Province of Ontario.

R. W. Bro. F. DAVEY DIAMOND, being District Deputy Grand
Master of the Prince Edward District, No. 13.

The Rt. Rev. WILLIAM LENNOX MILLS, D.D., LL.D., D.C.L.,
being Lord Bishop of the Diocese of Ontario.

Rev. EDWIN LOUCKS, being Rector of the Church of St.
Mary Magdalene.

Rev. F. LOUIS BARBER, being Vicar of the Church of St.
Mary Magdalene.

H. J. RINGER and D. J. BARKER, being Church Wardens of
the Church of St. Mary Magdalene.

This Corner Stone

Was laid by M. W. Bro. AUBREY WHITE, Grand Master, assisted by the Grand Lodge Officers, and in the presence of a large concourse of brethren and inhabitants of the Town of Pieton and the surrounding district.

The acting Grand Treasurer deposited the phial containing coins, newspapers and other records in the cavity in the stone.

The acting Grand Wardens and the acting Deputy Grand Master applied the instruments of their office to the stone, after it had been placed in position, and announced that the Craftsmen had done their duty. The Grand Master then consecrated the stone with corn, wine and oil, and pronounced it well made, truly laid, well proven, true and trusty.

The procession was reformed and the brethren returned to the lodge rooms, where Grand Lodge was closed.



R. H. Gunning
Grand Secretary

Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Canada

IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

PROCEEDINGS

*At an Especial Communication of the Grand Lodge of
A.F. & A.M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario,
held at the Village of Carp, on Friday, June 7th,
A.D. 1912, A.L. 5912.*

Present:

R.W.Bro. Alex. Morris.....	as Grand Master.
V.W.Bro. J. H. Leech.....	as Deputy Grand Master.
W.Bro. H. Graham	as Grand Senior Warden.
W.Bro. L. Gourlay.....	as Grand Junior Warden.
W.Bro. Dr. G. H. Groves.....	as Grand Treasurer.
W.Bro. G. A. Moore.....	as Grand Secretary.
W.Bro. J. M. Argue.....	as Grand Registrar.
W.Bro. R. H. Grant.....	as Grand Chaplain.
W.Bro. T. A. Brown.....	as Grand Senior Deacon.
W.Bro. O. M. Groves.....	as Grand Junior Deacon.
W.Bro. A. H. Acres.....	as Grand Dir. of Ceremonies.
W.Bro. A. E. Hunt.....	as Grand Supt. of Works.
W.Bro. F. Carruthers	as Grand Sword Bearer.
W.Bro. J. C. Hunter.....	as Grand Pursuivant.
Bro. J. G. Craig.....	} as Grand Stewards.
Bro. A. Green.....	
Bro. H. Wilson.....	
Bro. W. Groves.....	
Bro. E. Scharf.....	
Bro. G. D. Milford.....	} as Grand Standard Bearers.
Bro. F. McCord.....	
Bro. W. Baskins.	
Bro. G. D. Armitage.....	
Bro. W. D. Jackson.....	as Grand Tyler.

Together with Masters, Past Masters and brethren hailing from various lodges.

Grand Lodge was opened in due form, at 2 o'clock p.m., by R.W. Bro. Alex. Morris. acting on behalf of the M.W. the Grand Master, who announced that this Especial Communication of Grand Lodge had been called for the purpose of assisting him to lay the corner stone of the Carp Methodist Church.

The brethren acting as Grand Lodge Officers having

received the necessary directions, Grand Lodge was called off, a procession was formed under the acting Grand Director of Ceremonies, and marched to the site in prescribed order, taking their proper positions at the northeast corner of the building.

The acting Grand Chaplain invoked a blessing and the acting Grand Superintendent of Works read the following scroll, which was deposited in the cavity in the stone:

In the Name and by the Favor of the Great Architect of the Universe

On the 7th day of June A. D. 1912, A. L. 5912, in the Third year
of the reign of our Most Gracious Sovereign

George V.

By the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain
and Ireland, and of the British Dominions beyond the
seas, KING, Defender of the Faith, EMPEROR
OF INDIA.

His Royal Highness, The DUKE OF CONNAUGHT & STRATH-
EARN, K.G., K.T., K.P., G.M.B., G.C.S.I., G.C.M.G.,
G.C.I.E., G.C.V.O., P.C., being GOVERNOR-
GENERAL of the Dominion of Canada.

The Honorable ROBERT LAIRD BORDEN, LL.D., K.C., being Premier
of the Dominion of Canada.

His Honor, Sir JOHN MORISON GIBSON, K.C., LL.D., being
Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Ontario.

The Honorable Sir JAMES PLINY WHITNEY, K.C., being Premier
of the Province of Ontario.

EDWARD KIDD, Esquire, being member for the Constituency of
Carleton County in the Parliament of the Dominion of Canada.

ROBERT MCELROY, Esquire, being member for the Constituency of
Carleton County in the Legislative Assembly of the
Province of Ontario.

M. W. Bro. AUBREY WHITE, being Grand Master of the Grand
Lodge of A.F. & A.M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

R. W. Bro. WM. DAVID MCPHERSON, K.C., being Deputy Grand
Master of the Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Canada,
in the Province of Ontario.

R. W. Bro. ALEX. MORRIS, being District Deputy Grand Master
of the Ottawa District, No. 16.

Rev. GEO. A. MCINTOSH, B.A., B.D., being Minister of the Carp
Methodist Church.

This Corner Stone

Was laid by R. W. Bro. ALEX. MORRIS, D.D.G.M., acting for the M.W. the Grand Master, assisted by the Grand Lodge officers, and in the presence of a large concourse of brethren and inhabitants of the Village of Carp and surrounding district.

The acting Grand Treasurer deposited the phial containing coins, newspapers and other records in the cavity in the stone.

The acting Grand Wardens and the acting Deputy Grand Master applied the instruments of their office to the stone, after it had been placed in position, and announced that the Craftsmen had done their duty. The Grand Master then consecrated the stone with corn, wine and oil, and pronounced it well made, truly laid, well proven, true and trusty.

The procession was reformed and the brethren returned to the lodge rooms, where Grand Lodge was closed.



R. G. G. G.

Grand Secretary

Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Canada

IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

PROCEEDINGS

*At an Especial Communication of the Grand Lodge of
A.F. & A.M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario,
held at the City of Toronto, on Saturday, the 22nd
day of June, A.D. 1912, A.L. 5912.*

Present:

M.W.Bro. Aubrey White.....	Grand Master.
R.W.Bro. W. D. McPherson.....	Deputy Grand Master.
R.W.Bro. F. W. Harcourt.....	as Grand Senior Warden.
R.W.Bro. W. A. Quibell.....	as Grand Junior Warden.
V.W.Bro. John A. Pearson.....	as Grand Treasurer.
V.W.Bro. Thomas Pedler.....	as Grand Secretary.
R.W.Bro. H. T. Smith.....	as Grand Registrar.
W.Bro. John Bushell.....	as Grand Chaplain.
W.Bro. J. T. Couch.....	as Grand Senior Deacon.
W.Bro. E. B. MacKenzie.....	as Grand Junior Deacon.
V.W.Bro. L. F. Riggs.....	Grand Dir. of Ceremonies.
V.W.Bro. Frank Saunders.....	Grand Supt. of Works.
W.Bro. H. G. Langley.....	as Grand Sword Bearer.
V.W.Bro. R. F. Segworth.....	Grand Pursuivant.
W.Bro. G. M. Ritchie.....	} as Grand Stewards.
W.Bro. W. R. Ledger.....	
W.Bro. F. G. Anderson.....	
W.Bro. J. A. Montgomery.....	as Grand Standard Bearer.
W.Bro. J. W. Thompson.....	as Grand Tyler.

Together with Masters, Past Masters and brethren hailing from various lodges.

Grand Lodge was opened in due form at 2.30 p.m., by M.W. Bro. Aubrey White, Grand Master, who announced that this Especial Communication of Grand Lodge had been called for the purpose of assisting him to lay the corner stone of the new Masonic Temple at Riverdale.

The brethren acting as Grand Lodge Officers having received the necessary directions. Grand Lodge was called off, a procession was formed under the Grand Director of Ceremonies, and marched to the site in the

prescribed order, taking their proper positions at the northeast corner of the building.

The acting Grand Chaplain then invoked a blessing, and the acting Grand Superintendent of Works read the following scroll, which was deposited in the cavity in the stone:

In the Name and by the Favor of the Great Architect of the Universe

On, the 15th day of June A. D. 1912, A.L. 5912, in the Third year
of the reign of our Most Gracious Sovereign

George V.

By the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain
and Ireland, and of the British Dominions beyond the
seas, KING, Defender of the Faith, EMPEROR
OF INDIA.

His Royal Highness, The DUKE OF CONNAUGHT & STRATH-
EARN, K.G., K.T., K.P., G.M.B., G.C.S.I., G.C.M.G.,
G.C.I.E., G.C.V.O., P.C., being GOVERNOR-
GENERAL of the Dominion of Canada.

The Honorable ROBERT LAIRD BORDEN, LL.D., K.C., being Premier
of the Dominion of Canada.

His Honor, Sir JOHN MORISON GIBSON, K.C., LL.D., being
Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Ontario.

The Honorable Sir JAMES PLINY WHITNEY, K.C., being Premier
of the Province of Ontario.

The Honorable ALBERT EDWARD KEMP, being member for the
Constituency of East Toronto in the Parliament of
the Dominion of Canada.

The Honorable Dr. ROBERT ALLAN PYNE and THOMAS RICHARD
WHITESIDE, being members for the Constituency of
East Toronto in the Legislative Assembly
of the Province of Ontario.

M. W. Bro. AUBREY WHITE, being Grand Master of the Grand
Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

R. W. Bro. WM. DAVID MCPHERSON, K.C., being Deputy Grand
Master of the Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Canada,
in the Province of Ontario.

R. W. Bro. W. F. BILGER, being District Deputy Grand Master
of the Toronto East District No. 11A.

This Corner Stone

Was laid by M. W. Bro. AUBREY WHITE, Grand Master, assisted by the Grand Lodge officers, and in the presence of a large concourse of brethren and citizens of the City of Toronto and the surrounding district.

The acting Grand Treasurer deposited the phial containing coins, newspapers and other records in the cavity in the stone.

The acting Grand Wardens and the acting Deputy Grand Master applied the instruments of their office to the stone, after it had been placed in position, and announced that the Craftsmen had done their duty. The Grand Master then consecrated the stone with corn, wine and oil, and pronounced it well made, truly laid, well proven, true and trusty.

The procession was reformed and the brethren returned to the lodge rooms, where Grand Lodge was closed.



R. H. Gumm
Grand Secretary

Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Canada

IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

PROCEEDINGS

*At an Especial Communication of the Grand Lodge of
A.F. & A.M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario,
held at the City of London on the 24th of June,
A.D. 1912, A.L. 5912.*

Present:

M.W.Bro. E. T. Malone.....	as Grand Master.
R.W.Bro. John H. Wilson.....	as Deputy Grand Master.
R.W.Bro. Thomas Rowe.....	as Grand Senior Warden.
R.W.Bro. Thomas G. Davis.....	as Grand Junior Warden.
W.Bro. Rev. Chas. C. Waller...	as Grand Chaplain.
R.W.Bro. Albert E. Cooper.....	as Grand Treasurer.
R.W.Bro. R. L. Gunn.....	as Grand Secretary.
W.Bro. James B. McKilop...	as Grand Senior Deacon.
W.Bro. George H. Morris.....	as Grand Junior Deacon.
W.Bro. Henry Chas. Simpson...	as Grand Supt. of Works.
V.W.Bro. Lewis Riggs.....	as Grand Dir. of Ceremonies.
R.W.Bro. John W. Metherall....	as Asst. G. Dir. of Ceremonies.
W.Bro. E. W. Goethe Quantz...	as Grand Organist.
W.Bro. Urban A. Buchner....	as Asst. Grand Secretary.
V.W.Bro. James H. Flock.....	as Grand Sword Bearer.
R.W.Bro. Emmanuel T. Essery...	as Grand Registrar.
R.W.Bro. Samuel Baker.....	as Grand Pursuivant.
W.Bro. Albert E. Somerville. }	as Grand Stewards.
W.Bro. F. H. Thompson.....	
W.Bro. Llewellyn Davies....	
W.Bro. Frederick Palmer...	
W.Bro. C. A. Whitwam.....	
W.Bro. John J. Dyer.....	
W.Bro. Angus Elliott.....	
W.Bro. F. B. Gidley.....	as Grand Standard Bearers.
W.Bro. Harry Stratfold.....	
R.W.Bro. James A. Tancock...	as Grand Tyler.
W.Bro. John Robertson.....	

Together with Masters, Past Masters and brethren hailing from various lodges.

Grand Lodge was opened in due form at 6.30 o'clock p.m. by the M.W. the acting Grand Master, who announced that this Especial Communication of Grand Lodge had been called to assist him in laying the corner

stone of the new Masonic Temple, on Queen's Avenue, in the City of London, Ontario.

The brethren acting as Grand Lodge Officers having received the necessary directions, Grand Lodge was called off, a procession was formed under the Grand Director of Ceremonies, and marched to the site in the prescribed order, taking their proper positions at the northeast corner of the building.

The acting Grand Chaplain then invoked a blessing, and the acting Grand Superintendent of Works read the following scroll and deposited it in the cavity in the stone:

In the Name and by the Favor of the Great Architect of the Universe

On the 24th day of June, A.D. 1912, A.L. 5912, in the Third year
of the reign of our Most Gracious Sovereign

George V.

By the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain
and Ireland, and of the British Dominions beyond the
seas, KING, Defender of the Faith, EMPEROR
OF INDIA.

His Royal Highness, The DUKE OF CONNAUGHT & STRATH-
EARN, K.G., K.T., K.P., G.M.B., G.C.S.I., G.C.M.G.,
G.C.I.E., G.C.V.O., P.C., being GOVERNOR-
GENERAL of the Dominion of Canada.

His Honor, Sir JOHN MORISON GIBSON, K.C., LL.D., being
Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Ontario.

The Honorable ROBERT LAIRD BORDEN, LL.D., K.C., being Premier
of the Dominion of Canada.

The Honorable Sir JAMES PLINY WHITNEY, K.C., being Premier
of the Province of Ontario.

THOMAS BEATTIE, Esquire, being member for the Constituency of
London in the Parliament of the Dominion of Canada.

The Honorable ADAM BECK, being member for the Constituency
of London in the Legislative Assembly of the
Province of Ontario.

M. W. Bro. AUBREY WHITE, being Grand Master of the Grand
Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

R. W. Bro. WM. DAVID MCPHERSON, K.C., being Deputy Grand
Master of the Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Canada,
in the Province of Ontario.

R. W. Bro. J. H. WILSON, being District Deputy Grand Master of
the London District, No. 3,
and

His Worship CHARLES M. R. GRAHAM, being Mayor of the
City of London.

This Corner Stone

Was laid by M.W. Bro. E. T. MALONE, Past Grand Master,
assisted by the Grand Lodge officers, and in the presence of
a large concourse of brethren and citizens
of the City of London and the
surrounding district.

The acting Grand Treasurer deposited the phial
containing coins, newspapers and other records in the
cavity in the stone.

The acting Grand Wardens and the acting Deputy
Grand Master applied the instruments of their office to
the stone, after it had been placed in position, and
announced that the Craftsmen had done their duty.
The acting Grand Master then consecrated the stone
with corn, wine and oil, and pronounced it well made,
truly laid, well proven, true and trusty.

The procession was reformed and the brethren
returned to the lodge rooms, where Grand Lodge was
closed.



R. G. G. G.

Grand Secretary

Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Canada

IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

PROCEEDINGS

At the Fifty-Seventh Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of A.F. & A.M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario, held at the City of Toronto, commencing Wednesday, the 17th day of July, A.D. 1912, A.L. 5912.

There were present:

THE GRAND MASTER

M.W. Bro. Aubrey White on the Throne.

THE DEPUTY GRAND MASTER

R.W. Bro. W. D. McPherson.

R.W.Bro. James A. Grobb.....	Grand Senior Warden.
R.W.Bro. Thomas G. Davis.....	Grand Junior Warden.
R.W.Bro. Rev. Stuart A. Woods.....	Grand Chaplain.
R.W.Bro. R. L. Gunn.....	Grand Secretary.
R.W.Bro. A. N. Pettit.....	Grand Registrar.
V.W.Bro. Kenneth J. Dunstan..as	Grand Senior Deacon.
V.W.Bro. J. B. Coleridge.....	Grand Junior Deacon.
V.W.Bro. Lewis Riggs.....	Grand Dir. of Ceremonies.
R.W.Bro. J. B. Nixon.....as	Asst. G. D. of Ceremonies.
V.W.Bro. W. T. Goodison.....	Asst. Grand Secretary.
V.W.Bro. W. D. Fairbrother.....	Grand Sword Bearer.
V.W.Bro. L. W. Coutlee.....	Grand Organist.
V.W.Bro. F. P. Warne.....as	Asst. Grand Organist.
V.W.Bro. Frank Saunders.....	Grand Supt. of Works.
V.W.Bro. R. F. Segsworth.....	Grand Pursuivant.
V.W.Bro. S. N. Morrison.....	} Grand Stewards.
V.W.Bro. J. R. Palmer.....	
V.W.Bro. Thos. Godfrey.....	
V.W.Bro. J. R. Lawrence.....	
V.W.Bro. Robt. Ferguson.....	
V.W.Bro. W. G. Neill.....	}
V.W.Bro. F. K. Ebbitt.....	
V.W.Bro. J. S. Moorecraft.....	Grand Standard Bearer.
W.Bro. James Pritchard.....	Grand Tyler.

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

R.W.Bro. B. S. Sheldon.....	Erie District	No. 1
R.W.Bro. J. W. McDonald.....	St. Clair District.....	No. 2
R.W.Bro. J. H. Wilson.....	London District	No. 3
R.W.Bro. S. J. Mallion.....	South Huron District.....	No. 4
R.W.Bro. W. T. Ross.....	North Huron District.....	No. 5

R.W.Bro. C. G. Hulet.....	Wilson District.....	No. 6
R.W.Bro. B. W. Ziemann.....	Wellington District....	No. 7
R.W.Bro. B. E. Thompson.....	Hamilton District.....	No. 8
R.W.Bro. Geo. Menzies.....	Georgian District.....	No. 9
R.W.Bro. R. J. Gracey.....	Niagara District.....	No. 10
R.W.Bro. H. C. Scully.....	Toronto West District..	No. 11
R.W.Bro. W. F. Bilger.....	Toronto East District..	No. 11a
R.W.Bro. W. E. N. Sinclair....	Ontario District.....	No. 12
R.W.Bro. F. Davey Diamond....	Pr. Edward District....	No. 13
R.W.Bro. D. A. Nesbit.....	Frontenac District.....	No. 14
R.W.Bro. E. A. McKim.....	St. Lawrence District..	No. 15
R.W.Bro. Alex. Morris.....	Ottawa District.....	No. 16
R.W.Bro. W. A. Quibell.....	Algoma District.....	No. 17
R.W.Bro. A. W. Smith.....	Nipissing District.....	No. 18
R.W.Bro. Lollard McLeay.....	Muskoka District.....	No. 19
R.W.Bro. John Crane.....	Otonabee District.....	No. 20
R.W.Bro. O. D. Casselman.....	Eastern District.....	No. 21

Grand Representatives

From Grand Lodge of

R.W.Bro. A. J. Young.....	Alberta.
R.W.Bro. R. L. Gunn.....	British Columbia.
R.W.Bro. J. A. C. Anderson....	New Brunswick.
M.W.Bro. D. J. Goggin.....	Saskatchewan.
R.W.Bro. D. D. Campbell.....	New South Wales.
R.W.Bro. Geo. S. May.....	Queensland.
M.W.Bro. J. H. Burritt.....	South Australia.
R.W.Bro. W. D. McPherson....	Victoria.
R.W.Bro. Isaac Huber.....	Connecticut.
M.W.Bro. Hy. Robertson.....	District of Columbia.
R.W.Bro. G. H. Clendennan....	Florida.
M.W.Bro. W. R. White.....	Georgia.
V.W.Bro. J. H. Flock.....	Idaho.
R.W.Bro. Abraham Shaw.....	Illinois.
M.W.Bro. Hon. J. K. Kerr.....	Indiana.
R.W.Bro. W. G. Reid.....	Kansas.
R.W.Bro. C. W. Postlethwaite..	Maine.
M.W.Bro. Aubrey White.....	Maryland.
R.W.Bro. C. W. Haentschel....	Minnesota.
M.W.Bro. Hon. J. K. Kerr.....	Missouri.
M.W.Bro. His Honor Sir John M. Gibson,	Montana.
R.W.Bro. F. W. Harcourt.....	Nebraska.
M.W.Bro. Hon. J. K. Kerr.....	New Jersey.
R.W.Bro. Wm. Rea.....	New Mexico.
M.W.Bro. A. T. Freed.....	New York.
R.W.Bro. John Hoodless.....	North Carolina.
R.W.Bro. J. G. Liddell.....	Oklahoma.
R.W.Bro. W. R. Cavell.....	Rhode Island.
R.W.Bro. J. C. Bartram.....	South Carolina.
M.W.Bro. E. T. Malone.....	South Dakota.
R.W.Bro. Jas. McLachlan.....	Tennessee.
M.W.Bro. Hon. J. K. Kerr.....	Texas.
M.W.Bro. Hon. J. K. Kerr.....	Utah.
R.W.Bro. S. A. Luke.....	Vermont.
R.W.Bro. W. C. Wilkinson.....	Washington.
M.W.Bro. J. E. Harding.....	West Virginia.

V.W.Bro. A. L. Malone.....	Chili.
R.W.Bro. Geo. Tait.....	Isle of Cuba.
R.W.Bro. W. G. Eakins.....	Hungary.
R.W.Bro. G. G. Rowe.....	Italy.
R.W.Bro. W. J. Drope.....	Peru.
R.W.Bro. F. D. Diamond.....	Costa Rica.

The above named Grand Representatives were received and welcomed by the M.W. the Grand Master and were accorded Grand Honors.

PAST GRAND OFFICERS.

Past Grand Masters—M.W. Bros. Hon. J. K. Kerr, Henry Robertson, His Honor Sir John M. Gibson, W. R. White, E. T. Malone, J. E. Harding, J. H. Burritt and A. T. Freed.

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Past Grand Pursuivants—V.W. Bro. J. G. Constable.

The Grand Director of Ceremonies introduced a deputation from the Toronto City Council, consisting of Thomas L. Church, Controller and Acting Mayor, and Alfred McGuire, Alderman and Chairman of the civic reception committee, who extended a very warm welcome to the members of Grand Lodge and expressed the hope that their visit to the city would prove a very pleasant one and of benefit to the Masonic order, the aims and objects of which society, as known to the public, were much admired and appreciated. To which the M.W. the Grand Master replied, thanking the deputation for their kind remarks, and acknowledging the warmth of the welcome and the hospitality of the citizens which had been extended to the members.

GRAND LODGE OPENED.

A constitutional number of lodges being represented, Grand Lodge was opened in ample form at 10.30 o'clock a.m., and the Grand Chaplain implored a blessing from the G.A.O.T.U. upon the proceedings.

COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

R.W. Bro. Robert H. Revell, Chairman of the Committee on Credentials of representatives and proxies from lodges, reported that there were 417 warranted lodges on the register; 256 are represented by their

regular officers, 72 by proxy and 25 by Past Masters, a total of 353 lodges represented. There were 962 names registered, having a total of 1,650 votes. The following are the names of those present:

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R.W. Bro. J. DeW. Randall, P.M.
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Bro. John Kinghorn & W. Bro. A. R. B. Williamson, P.Ms.
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- No. 6** **Barton, Hamilton**
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Bro. John Hoodless & W. Bro. Geo. Moore, P.Ms.
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R.W. Bro. W. J. Drope, P.M., & Proxy.
- No. 9** **Union, Napanee**
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- No. 11** **Moir, Belleville**
W. Bro. John McIntosh, W.M.
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Bilger, J. W. Watson, L. J. Clark, J. C. Arlidge, W. F.
Chapman, C. W. I. Woodland, D. Carlyle, Thos. Bell, V.W.
Bros. A. Maccomb, A. E. Hagerman, John Pearson, W. Bros.
J. H. Dunlop, & W. Bro. C. E. Edmonds, P.Ms.
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W. Bro. John Shaw, P.Ms.
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- No. 24 St. Francis, Smith's Falls**
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W. Bro. Geo. H. Wixon, W.M.; Bros. A. M. Heron, S.W. and T. H. P. Hemmett, J.W.; R.W. Bro. Rev. W. L. Baynes-Reed, V.W. Bro. John Parsell, W. Bros. J. W. Prestwick and Frank Abbott, P.Ms.
- No. 431** **Moravian, Cargill**
W. Bros. Wm. J. Loughleen and M. L. Zeigler, P.Ms.
- No. 433** **Bonnechere, Eganville**
W. Bros. Wm. Senn, W.M.
- No. 434** **Algonquin, Emsdale**
W. Bro. D. Shaw, W.M.; Bro. W. R. Jones, S.W.; W. Bro. J. H. Metcalfe, A. W. Freeland, J. F. McDonald, J. Q. Adams, S. N. Milligan and F. M. Brooks, P.Ms.
- No. 436** **Burns, Hepworth**
Bro. Wm. Cameron, S.W.
- No. 437** **Tuscan, Sarnia**
W. Bro. W. Carter, W.M.; V.W. Bro. John Boyd, P.M.
- No. 438** **Harmony, Toronto**
W. Bro. J. F. Foster, W.M.; R.W. Bros. G. J. Bennett, W. H. Shaw, L. K. Cameron, W. Bros. A. H. Loughheed, T. M. Kinsman and E. J. Repath, P.Ms.
- No. 439** **Alexandria, Alexandria**
Bro. W. G. Rowen, S.W.
- No. 440** **Arcadia, Minden**
W. Bro. W. J. Hartle, P.M. and Proxy.

- No. 441 Westport, Westport**
W. Bro. B. C. Taggart, P.M. and Proxy. W. Bro. A. W. Gray, P.M.
- No. 442 Dymont, Thessalon**
W. Bro. A. Shaw, W.M.; W. Bros. R. C. Dobie, J. H. Glanville and T. E. Williams, P.Ms.
- No. 443 Powassan, Powassan**
W. Bro. A. S. Porter, P.M. and Proxy.
- No. 444 Nitetis, Cremore**
W. Bro. W. A. Helmkey, P.M. and Proxy. V.W. Bro. J. R. Lawrence, P.M.
- No. 445 Lake of the Woods, Kenora**
W. Bro. T. E. Elliott, P.M. and Proxy.
- No. 446 Granite, Fort Frances**
W. Bro. Wm. Floyd, W.M.
- No. 447 Sturgeon Falls, Sturgeon Falls**
R.W. Bro. A. W. Smith, W. Bros. A. D. McInnes, E. D. Jessop, J. D. Cockburn, P.Ms.
- No. 449 Dundalk, Dundalk**
W. Bro. W. Howes, W. M.
- No. 450 Hawkesbury, Hawkesbury**
Bro. E. C. Lighthall, S.W.
- No. 452 Avonmore, Avonmore**
W. Bro. A. H. McMillian, W.M.
- No. 454 Corona, Burk's Falls**
W. Bro. J. J. Wilson, W. M.; R.W. Bro. J. W. Harris, P.M.
- No. 455 Doric, Little Current**
V.W. Bro. Jos. W. Ellenton, P.M. and Proxy.
- No. 458 Wales, Wales**
W. Bro. E. H. Manning, W.M.
- No. 459 Cobden, Cobden**
W. Bro. Rev. T. W. M. Goodwill, P.M. and Proxy.
- No. 460 Rideau, Seeley's Bay**
W. Bro. Henry Willis, W.M.; W. Bro. C. C. Gilbert, P.M.
- No. 462 Timiskaming, New Liskeard**
W. Bro. Murdock McLeod, W.M.; R.W. Bro. F. W. Haynes and W. Bro. J. H. O'Brien, P.Ms
- No. 463 North Entrance, Haliburton**
W. Bro. E. Y. Spurr, W.M.; R.W. Bro. R. Clark and W. Bro. W. Giles, P.Ms.

- No. 464 **King Edward, Sunderland**
W. Bro. S. Switzer, W.M.; Bro. N. M. Hall, S.W.; W. Bro.
Jos. Thompson, P.M.
- No. 465 **Carleton, Carp**
W. Bro. G. H. Groves, P.M., and Proxy.
- No. 466 **Coronation, Elmvale**
W. Bro. J. T. Foster, W. M.; W. Bro. T. W. Leggatt, P.M.
- No. 467 **Tottenham, Tottenham**
W. Bro. A. P. Potter, P.M.
- No. 468 **Peel, Caledon East**
W. Bro. J. W. Graham, W.M.
- No. 469 **Algoma, Sault Ste. Marie**
W. Bro. H. S. Hamill, P.M. and Proxy.
- No. 470 **Victoria, Victoria Harbor**
W. Bro. W. E. Brown, W.M.
- No. 471 **King Edward VII., Chippawa**
W. Bro. A. R. Cameron, W.M.; W. Bros. G. H. Brown and
H. McKenzie, P.Ms.
- No. 472 **Gore Bay, Gore Bay**
W. Bro. Robt. Robinson, W.M.
- No. 473 **The Beaches, Toronto**
W. Bro. Geo. M. Ritchie, W.M.; W. Bros. R. J. W. Barker
and W. E. Nugent, P.Ms.
- No. 474 **Victoria, Toronto**
W. Bro. F. Ford, W.M.; W. Bros. W. J. Sheppard, W. H.
Whetter and W. E. Birrell, P.Ms.
- No. 475 **Dundurn, Hamilton**
W. Bro. T. W. Appleton, W.M.
- No. 476 **Corinthian, North Gower**
W. Bro. E. A. Johnston, W.M.
- No. 477 **Harding, Woodville**
W. Bro. A. W. Granger, W.M.; W. Bros. N. L. Patterson
and J. J. Ruan, P.Ms.
- No. 478 **Milverton, Milverton**
W. Bro. Geo. Guenther, W.M.; W. Bro. Edgar Siegner, P.M.
- No. 479 **Russell, Russell**
W. Bro. J. W. Lowrie, P.M.
- No. 480 **Williamsburg, N. Williamsburg**
W. Bro. O. P. Becker, P.M.

- No. 481** **Corinthian, Toronto**
W. Bro. J. T. Orr, W.M.; W. Bros. John Stephens, J. W. Jones and J. L. Little, P.Ms.
- No. 483** **Granton, Granton**
Bro. C. C. Powers, S.W.; W. Bro. Jas. Avery, P.M.
- No. 484** **Golden Star, Dryden**
R.W. Bro. W. A. Quibell, P.M. and Proxy.
- No. 485** **Haileybury, Haileybury**
W. Bro. A. J. Carson, W.M.; V.W. Bro. F. K. Ebbitt, P.M.
- No. 486** **Silver, Cobalt**
W. Bro. W. E. T. Barton, P. M. and Proxy.
- No. 487** **Penewobikong, Blind River**
W. Bro. T. A. Craig, W.M.
- No. 489** **Osiris, Smith's Falls**
W. Bro. Wm. L. Tait, W.M.
- No. 491** **Cardinal, Cardinal**
W. Bro. Henry Falkener, W.M.; R. W. Bro. J. F. Graham, P.M.
- No. 492** **Karnak, Coldwater**
W. Bro. R. A. Brown, W.M.
- No. 493** **St. Mary's, St. Mary's**
V.W. Bro. L. J. Constable, W.M.
- No. 494** **Riverdale, Toronto**
W. Bro. E. B. Mackenzie, W.M. Bro. W. M. Mitchell, S.W.;
W. Bros. A. C. Larter and L. A. Willson, P.Ms.
- No. 495** **Electric, Hamilton**
Bro. A. W. Palmer, S.W.
- No. 496** **University, Toronto**
Bro. B. Q'Reilly, S.W.; M.W. Bro. His Honor, Sir John M. Gibson, W. Bros. N. W. Ford and J. Brennen, P.Ms.
- No. 498** **King George V., Cobocok**
W. Bro. Rev. A. B. Chafee, W.M.
- No. 499** **Port Arthur, Port Arthur**
V. W. Bro. J. T. Hollinshead, W.M.
- No. 500** **Rose, Windsor**
Bro. Robt. Meade, S.W.; W. Bro. M. P. McMaster, P.M.
- No. 502** **Coronation, Smithville**
W. Bro. J. G. Moffat, W.M.

The M.W. Grand Master granted permission for the admission, to the side seats of Grand Lodge, of all Master Masons in good standing, as visitors.

R.W. Bros. H. C. Scully and W. F. Bilger, D.D.G.Ms. of the Toronto District, introduced the Worshipful Masters of the local lodges in Toronto, who presented the following address of welcome to the Grand Master:

ADDRESS OF THE CRAFT IN TORONTO TO THE GRAND MASTER.

To the Most Worshipful Bro. Aubrey White, Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M., of Canada, in the Province of Ontario:

MOST WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BRETHREN:

On behalf of the members of the Craft resident in the City of Toronto, we have pleasure in welcoming you on this the occasion of the fifty-seventh Annual Communication of Grand Lodge. We avail ourselves of the opportunity of congratulating you, Most Worshipful Sir, on your elevation to the highest and most exalted office in the gift of the mother Grand Lodge of Canada.

At the same time we feel, Most Worshipful Sir, that Grand Lodge and the Craft in general have reason to be thankful that the present incumbent of that high office is one so well qualified by long experience, sound judgment and that most blessed of all Masonic virtues, a heart full of kindness and charity, to discharge the duties of Grand Master with dignity and credit to himself and great advantage to the Order.

In common with our brethren throughout the whole jurisdiction, we entertain feelings of pride and satisfaction at the continued growth of our beloved institution. We believe that this progress is reflected, not in numbers only, but also that, in the character of the individual members of the Order, the traditions of Masonry have been and are being fully maintained; that the responsibilities and obligations of membership are realized and appreciated by the Masonic body perhaps more fully than ever in the past, and that the objects for which Masonry exists are thereby more thoroughly achieved. We are glad to be able to say to you that in both these respects Masonry in Toronto has fully kept pace not only with the progress made throughout the jurisdiction, but also with the rapid growth of the city.

These facts should cause us to give thanks to the Great Architect Of The Universe for all his loving-kindness.

We have no doubt that your deliberations in the meeting about to be opened will be productive of good results. We hope that your stay in the city will be pleasant and comfortable, and we ask you to take back with you to your homes the good-

will and fraternal greetings of your brethren in the city of Toronto.

FRANK G. ANDERSON, W.M. St. Andrew's Lodge, No. 16.
 J. McL. HARTLEY, W.M. King Solomon's Lodge, No. 22.
 ERIC N. ARMOUR, W.M. Ionic Lodge, No. 25.
 J. W. ARCHIBALD, W.M. Rehoboam Lodge, No. 65.
 JOHN W. OWSTON, W.M. St. John's Lodge, No. 75.
 ERNEST O. LEWIS, W.M. Wilson Lodge, No. 86.
 WM. D. SPRINKS, W.M. Stevenson Lodge, No. 218.
 F. J. COOMBS, W.M. Ashlar Lodge, No. 247.
 W. B. JOHNSON, W.M. Doric Lodge, No. 316.
 GEO. H. SMITH, W.M. Zetland Lodge, No. 326.
 J. T. COUCH, W.M. Orient Lodge, No. 339.
 H. C. TUGWELL, W.M. Georgina Lodge, No. 343.
 W. S. LEACH, W.M. Occident Lodge, No. 346.
 I. F. STICKWOOD, W.M. St. George Lodge, No. 367.
 R. B. McKERIHEN, W.M. Alpha Lodge, No. 384.
 NORMAN CREW, W.M. Zeta Lodge, No. 410.
 WM. SPEERS, W.M. Stanley Lodge, No. 426.
 GEO. H. WIXON, W.M. Acacia Lodge, No. 430.
 J. F. FOSTER, W.M. Harmony Lodge, No. 438.
 GEO. M. RITCHIE, W.M. The Beaches Lodge, No. 473.
 W. H. WHETTER, W.M. Victoria Lodge, No. 474.
 JOHN T. ORR, W.M. Corinthian Lodge, No. 481.
 E. B. MacKENZIE, W.M. Riverdale Lodge, No. 494.
 JOHN BRENNAN, W.M. University Lodge, No. 496.
 JOHN T. WATSON, W.M. York Lodge, No. 156.

The M.W. the Grand Master replied to the address, as follows:

Right Worshipful District Deputy Grand Masters of the Toronto Districts, and Worshipful Masters of Toronto Lodges:

I thank you very much for your demonstration of respect for the Grand Master and the Grand Lodge, as evidenced by your attendance here to-day and the kind address of welcome which you have presented. The address is something to be treasured as a memento of the meeting of the Grand Lodge in the city of Toronto, as well as for its artistic beauty, and as such will be carefully preserved by me.

The sentiments of confidence and esteem which you have been kind enough to express toward myself are to me delightful, because the best recompense for work done is the approval, confidence and love of those for whom and with whom one has worked.

The District Deputy Grand Masters of the Toronto districts and the Masters of the various lodges in these districts, have been so kind to me and so active in all Masonic work during my year of office and association with them, that they made my work comparatively easy and very pleasant. For this and many other services I personally thank you.

On behalf of Grand Lodge I express to you its appreciation of the attention, courtesy and hospitality which you have

extended to us while meeting in this beautiful city. Our accommodation has been more than ample, and those from a distance will carry away with them very pleasant recollections of this our fifty-seventh Annual Communication. The hall in which we have been privileged to meet is beautiful, as well as commodious, and consequently every one has been cool and comfortable. While this is so, Grand Lodge is still looking forward with expectancy to the day—we hope not far distant—when we shall be privileged to meet in that new Masonic Temple which the Masons of this city are now proposing to erect.

My brethren, we accept with great pleasure, and heartily reciprocate, your fraternal greetings and good wishes, and we hope that the Great Architect Of The Universe may abundantly prosper your endeavors in the cause of Masonry, to the glory of God and the good of mankind.

The Grand Secretary read the rules and regulations for the government of Grand Lodge during the time of business.

The Grand Secretary commenced to read the minutes of Proceedings at the last Annual Communication, when it was

Moved by the R.W. the Deputy Grand Master, seconded by M.W. Bro. W. R. White, and

Resolved, That the minutes of the Proceedings of Grand Lodge at the Fifty-sixth Annual Communication, held in the City of St. Catharines, on the 19th and 20th days of July, A.D. 1911, having been printed and copies thereof forwarded to the constituent lodges, the same be considered as read and they be now confirmed.

Letters and telegrams of regret were read from M.W. Bros. D. F. Macwatt and Benjamin Allen, and R.W. Bro. J. C. Boyd.

The Grand Secretary was instructed to send the following message of sympathy to M.W. Bro. Macwatt:

Toronto, July 17th, 1912.

D. F. Macwatt,
The Jackson Health Resort,
Dansville, N.Y.

Grand Lodge sends regrets on hearing of your illness and earnest hopes for your speedy recovery. Your absence from the Communication is much felt, and the loss of your wise counsels also.

R. L. GUNN, Grand Secretary.

Letters were also received from M.W. Bros. James E. Dillon, Immediate P.G.M., and Lou B. Winsor, P.G.M. and Grand Secretary, of the Grand Lodge of

Michigan, regretting their inability to accept the cordial invitation to attend this Communication which had been extended to them by M.W. Bro. Aubrey White, G.M.

THE GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

Brethren of Grand Lodge :

At the last Annual Communication of Grand Lodge you did me the honour of placing me in the position of Grand Master, thereby constituting me the custodian of the honour and reputation of the Craft, and its chief executive officer, until such time as Grand Lodge should again assemble in Annual Communication.

We are now met for our Fifty-seventh Annual Communication, to which I bid you one and all a loving and fraternal welcome. I am delighted to see so large and representative a gathering of the Craft.

Almighty God has been pleased to grant us great prosperity and harmony during the year just closed, and in His goodness has so guided the minds of my Masonic brethren that your Grand Master has found courteous attention and loving obedience to his wishes to prevail everywhere throughout the jurisdiction.

I congratulate Grand Lodge upon its meeting in the metropolis of our province, where there is plenty of accommodation so that all may be comfortable. I especially congratulate Grand Lodge upon being assembled in this beautiful and commodious hall,—the Convocation Hall of the University of Toronto,—in which, by the kindness of the University authorities, we are permitted to hold this Communication.

Since our last Annual Communication His Majesty, King George the Fifth, has been graciously pleased to commit the Government of Canada to the care of His Royal Highness, the Duke of Connaught and Strathearn, brother of His late Majesty, Edward the Seventh. All Canadians were deeply gratified by this appointment, but to us Masons it had an added interest, as His Royal Highness occupies the position of Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of England, and is also an Honorary Past Grand Master of this Grand Lodge. His Majesty King Edward VII., when he became King, considered it prudent to resign the active duties of Grand

Master, and thereafter became the Patron of the Craft. His Royal Highness, the Duke of Connaught, on being appointed to represent the King in this country, has followed the precedent set by his illustrious predecessor in the office of Grand Master of England, in so far as personal active connection with Masonry is concerned, and therefore cannot be with us to-day. While this is so, I am commissioned by His Royal Highness, the Grand Master of England, to convey to this Grand Lodge his fraternal greetings and best wishes for its continued success and prosperity. He and his Consort are rapidly winning their way into the hearts of the people of Canada. As they progress through the different parts of this great country they will meet with nothing but loyalty and devotion to the Empire. But for His Royal Highness we Masons have especial reverence and love, because he is the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Mother Grand Lodge of the World.

You will not wonder that I place on record our profound regret at the appalling marine disaster now known as "The loss of the Titanic,"—the greatest ship the world had ever seen: the ultimate effort of man's knowledge and ingenuity: pronounced unsinkable, and launched upon her maiden trip with confidence and rejoicing. Suddenly, when all is going "merry as a marriage bell," figuratively speaking, Nature takes up her sling and aims a small piece of ice at the leviathan, and she is gone!—once more verifying the saying, "What shadows we are, and what shadows we pursue."

There are many lessons to be learned from this world-shocking disaster, but this is not the place, nor am I the person, to draw the moral. I record and deplore the event because many hundreds who belonged to the Craft went down with the Titanic, to whose friends and relatives our sympathy goes out.

During the past year Canada has suffered a great loss by the sudden death of one of its most valued public servants. Our brother, the Honorable James Pitt Mabee, would have honored any position which his brethren of the Craft might have bestowed upon him, but, like many more able men, he preferred to serve in the ranks of Masonry, and devoted his talents and energies to the service of his country. Brother Mabee was an outstanding figure in our public life.

As President of the Railway Commission of Canada he was steadily moulding the practice and precedents of that court towards a great public end,—the obtaining of justice and fair play for the people of Canada at the hands of its common carriers. By his courage, integrity and sound common sense, he built up a reputation which commanded universal respect and willing admiration.

SEMI-CENTENNIAL BENEVOLENT FUND.

On assuming active duty after the summer had passed, I issued a circular letter to my District Deputy Grand Masters, giving them the details of the amounts due to the Semi-Centennial Fund by the various lodges in their Districts, and requested them to bring the matter up on their visits to each lodge and inform me of the success which attended their efforts. At the same time I intimated my willingness to personally visit any District in which my presence would aid in this good work. The reports I received in response were encouraging, and numbers of lodges promised to take up seriously the paying up of all arrears.

I attended a number of Lodges of Instruction during the year, at all of which I brought this matter up, and received promises of support, which were pleasant to hear. After the New Year I addressed a personal letter to the Masters of every lodge in arrears to this fund, and asked them to use their best efforts to collect what was outstanding and to give me a report of the prospects. I have received many replies explaining the delay that has taken place, and stating the efforts that were being made. From many lodges payments have been received,—some on account, and some in full. From a few lodges I received no reply to my letters, and in one or two instances replies were received that were not creditable to those who sent them. Those of us who know anything about the collecting of money know that the two most difficult periods are the making of a satisfactory start, and the winding up when nearly all the money has been obtained. After consistent and strenuous effort by my predecessors we had on hand on the 31st of May, 1911, on account of the Semi-Centennial Benevolent Fund, \$90,327.50. During the present year there has been paid in \$6,545.31, so that on the 31st of May, 1912, there was at the credit

of this Fund \$96,872.62, leaving \$3,127.38 to be paid in to complete the \$100,000. This balance will be reduced somewhat before Grand Lodge meets. It must be borne in mind that some lodges have paid in more than their proportion, and it will be found, when all the lodges have paid in what they promised, that the capital fund will probably reach \$105,000. I confidently expect that during the year upon which we are now entering the balance due this fund will be paid in, and we shall be able to take credit for the completion of a great charitable fund for the relief of sickness and distress.

WARRANTS.

In compliance with the resolution of Grand Lodge at its last Annual Communication I have signed warrants for the following lodges:

St. Andrew's Lodge, No. 497, Arden.

King George V. Lodge, No. 498, Cobocok, and I am pleased to inform you that these lodges have justified their permanent existence by active, energetic Masonic work.

I have also signed a duplicate warrant for Algonquin Lodge, No. 434, Emsdale, to take the place of the one destroyed by fire.

NEW LODGES.

As Grand Master it has been my desire to encourage the formation of new centres of Masonic activity by granting dispensations for lodges where, after full and careful enquiry. I have become satisfied that it was proper and therefore expedient to do so. Whenever an application has been made I have required that the consent of the lodges affected—that is, the nearest in point of distance to the new lodge—shall be obtained. I have also required a recommendation from the District Deputy Grand Master of the District in which the new lodge is to be opened, and satisfactory evidence that the proposed officers are well-known and qualified, and generally that all the formalities required by Grand Lodge have been complied with. If, after this, a doubt has existed, I have taken the opinion of brethren who reside in the locality and who have held office in Grand Lodge so as to render my action free from doubt or uncertainty. Having pursued this course

in respect of the applications made during the year, I have had no hesitation in granting dispensations to the following lodges:

Port Arthur Lodge, Port Arthur.
 Rose Lodge, Windsor.
 Connaught Lodge, Mimico.
 Coronation Lodge, Smithville.
 Inwood Lodge, Inwood.
 Otter Lodge, Lombardy.
 Lynden Lodge, Lynden.
 Porcupine Lodge, Porcupine,

and I have every confidence that you will approve my action.

LODGES CONSTITUTED AND CONSECRATED.

The following lodges have been constituted and consecrated:

St. Andrew's Lodge, No. 497, Arden, by Rt. Wor. Bro. D. A. Nesbitt, D.D.G.M., on the 26th of September, 1911.

King George V. Lodge, No. 498, Cobocok, by Rt. Wor. Bro. W. E. N. Sinclair, D.D.G.M., on the 13th of November, 1911.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES.

Believing that it is desirable to preserve touch with all foreign jurisdictions by sending and receiving ambassadors, so that we may have official channels of communication with each other, I have appointed, upon the nomination of the Grand Masters, the following brethren as representatives of this Grand Lodge at their Grand Lodges: Wor. Bro. William W. Wilson of Raleigh, at the Grand Lodge of North Carolina; Rt. Wor. Bro. E. Monroney, Oklahoma City, at the Grand Lodge of Oklahoma; Wor. Bro. W. E. Inksetter, San Jose, at the Grand Lodge of Costa Rica, and upon my nomination the Grand Masters of foreign jurisdictions have appointed as representatives of their Grand Lodges at our Grand Lodge the following brethren: Rt. Wor. Isaac Huber, Bracebridge, the Grand Lodge of Connecticut; Rt. Wor. Bro. F. Davey Diamond, Belleville, the Grand Lodge of Costa Rica.

DEDICATIONS.

The work of dedicating lodges throughout this jurisdiction has been carried on by the various District Deputy Grand Masters. A list of the lodges dedicated will be found in the report of the Grand Secretary. It is believed that nearly all the lodges in the jurisdiction have now been dedicated. There may be two or three that have not; if so, the District Deputy Grand Masters will dedicate them during the coming year.

CORNER STONES.

The following corner stones have been laid with Masonic ceremonies:

St. Mary Magdalene Church (Anglican), at Picton, on Friday, May the 10th, 1912, by the Grand Master.

Carp Methodist Church, Carp, on Friday, June the 7th, 1912, by Rt. Wor. Bro. Alexander Morris, D.D.G.M.

Riverdale Masonic Temple, Toronto, on Saturday, June the 22nd, by the Grand Master.

Masonic Temple, London, on Monday, June the 24th, by M. W. Bro. E. T. Malone, acting for the Grand Master.

It will be seen that during the year Grand Lodge has been called together several times to lay corner stones. The invitations extended to us to perform this ceremony for churches, schools, etc., is a strong evidence of the reputation and standing of the Craft in the eyes of the public, and it is always with great pleasure that we accept such complimentary invitations.

The foundation stone of the Riverdale Masonic Hall was to have been laid on the 15th of June, but owing to heavy rain I was obliged to postpone it until the 22nd, when it was laid with full ceremony.

LODGE BY-LAWS.

I have carefully read and, with such changes as were necessary, approved and confirmed the by-laws of 25 lodges, the particulars of which will be found in the report of the Grand Secretary. I have examined and confirmed amendments to the by-laws of 48 lodges, particulars of which will be found in the Grand Secretary's report. I have noticed when amendments to by-laws have been submitted to me and a copy of

the existing by-laws has accompanied the proposed amendments, that in many cases the by-laws are seriously out of line with the Constitution,—many of them being obsolete. It is important that by-laws should be brought in line with the Constitution, and I call attention to the matter that steps may be taken to remedy what is a serious neglect.

DISPENSATIONS.

No less than 277 dispensations were issued for various purposes, for the details of which I refer you to the Grand Secretary's report. I have observed with great pleasure that a large majority of these dispensations were issued to enable lodges to attend Divine worship. This is as it should be. I can think of nothing that is better calculated to bring the religious side of our Institution to notice than for Masons to attend Church in large numbers from time to time as may be arranged. There seems to prevail some sensitiveness about our appearing on the streets to attend Divine service or other functions clothed in regalia. No such sensitiveness prevails in the Mother Grand Lodge or in the Grand Lodge of Ireland, as functions are constantly held where the brethren appear in regalia. I apprehend that the regalia of a Mason is a badge of honour rather than something to be ashamed of, and I would be glad to see my lodges turn out in regalia to attend Divine worship more frequently than they do.

LODGES OF INSTRUCTION.

Deeming it to be of great importance that these schools of good work, which bring Masons together in large numbers, and promote the extension of acquaintance and brotherly love, should be continued, I intimated to my District Deputy Grand Masters my expectation and desire that each of them would arrange to hold at least one Lodge of Instruction in his District, and I promised, so far as circumstances would permit, to be personally present when invited. A considerable number of Lodges of Instruction have been held. I was invited to attend no less than eleven, and I was present at eight Lodges of Instruction in various parts of the province.

At the Joint Lodge of Instruction, 11-11A, in To-

ronto, on the 28th of October, we had about 300 present. At the Lodge in the Frontenac District, No. 14, held at Napanee on November the 22nd, we had 250 present. At the Lodge in Georgian District, No. 9, held at Orillia on the 25th of January, 1912, we had 350 present. At the Lodge held in the Ottawa District, No. 16, at Carleton Place, on the 9th of February, we had 200 present. At the Lodge held in Prince Edward District, No. 13, held at Belleville, on the 13th of March, we had about 400 present. At the Lodge held in Otonabee District, No. 20, held at Port Hope, we had 250 present, and in the Wilson District, No. 6, held at Norwich on the 17th of May, we had nearly 300 present. Those I was unable to attend had large meetings also. It was a matter of great regret to me that I could not be with them, but in one case a severe snow storm made it impossible, and in the other two the dates fixed were upon days for which I had, previous to receiving the invitations, made Masonic engagements, which I could not break. Had I been able to visit eleven districts I would have accomplished my expectations, which were to be present in at least half the districts of this great jurisdiction during the year. While I have not accomplished my aim, I have had the great pleasure and inspiration of looking in the faces of over 2,000 of my brethren at Lodges of Instruction, of shaking them by the hand, receiving from them a warm "God bless you," and a wealth of courtesy, kindness and respect which ever dwells with Masons in the place where they were first prepared to be made,—the heart.

The intelligence and accuracy of the work in every district was simply marvellous and speaks volumes for the benefits derived from Lodges of Instruction. While desire for information was in all cases present, there was a readiness to accept with appreciation rulings given, which made harmony to abound. In every instance, after the work was over, all who attended were hospitably entertained by the lodges under whose warrant the instruction was held, and thus, surrounded by my brethren at the refreshment board, I was able to speak words of commendation, words of thanks, and bid them God-speed to even greater efforts in the building up of the Craft.

The Grand Master would be hard to please who did not feel lifted and inspired by such meetings as I have

attended. Let them be continued and extended so that we shall have in each district each year a re-union of all the best and most active brethren, which shall keep up their esprit du corps and impress those outside our circle with the character of the Masonic Institution.

FINANCES.

You will observe by the reports of the Grand Secretary and the Grand Treasurer that our financial affairs are in a fairly prosperous condition. The revenue for the year has been \$43,175.38 and the expenditure \$45,993.15, thereby expending, from the balance brought forward from the previous year, the sum of \$2,817.77 in excess of the income for the year. I take the opportunity of bearing testimony to the great services of the Grand Treasurer of this Grand Lodge, Most Worshipful Brother E. T. Malone. He looks after the investments of the funds of this Grand Lodge, is always careful to get the very best that are to be had, to examine the debentures, and in various other ways does a large amount of legal work, for which Grand Lodge would have to pay a considerable sum annually were it not that the good brother discharges all these duties as a labour of love. On behalf of this Grand Lodge I put on record our great appreciation of the services of the Most Worshipful the Grand Treasurer.

BENEVOLENCE.

You will observe by the reports of the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary that our contributions to those in need amounted to \$32,837.50 during the past year, including the sum of \$4,515.00 from the income of the Semi-Centennial Fund,—one of the largest expenditures for benevolence in the history of this Grand Lodge. We are so keenly alive to our duty with respect to benevolence that our expenditure must and ought to grow year by year. We should, as God prospers us as an institution and as individuals, be ready and anxious to aid those who are not fortunate or who have fallen by the wayside. We are our brother's keeper, and we cannot pass by on the other side when we see him in sore distress. If we do, we are not possessed of the Masonic spirit, nor does the love of God dwell in us.

During the temporary absence of P. G. M. Harding, Chairman of the Committee on Benevolence, whom we are delighted to see back among us with renewed youth and vigor, I requested Rt. Wor. Bro. Macfadden to assume the duties of Chairman, which he kindly consented to do, and discharged in a most efficient manner.

CONDITION OF THE CRAFT.

The numerical growth of the Craft during the past year has been, on the whole, very satisfactory, and in some localities phenomenal. There has been a net increase of about 1,900 in the membership, which now stands at about 50,300. Determined to see that the character, antecedents and position of the persons desiring admission were carefully scrutinized, I communicated with many District Deputies, calling to their attention the growth that was taking place in the lodges under their care, and impressed upon them the necessity for close enquiry and the exercise of the greatest care as to character. I have been assured that this year, perhaps more than ever, great attention has been paid to the investigation of character before accepting candidates. I was delighted to receive this assurance and I communicate it to you with a good deal of pleasure, for, more than any other institution, the foundation of our strength is character. It is the good character of the Masonic Institution which earns for it public respect.

All the District Deputies have been assiduous in their efforts to serve me and make my path easy. My slightest wish was complied with with promptitude and zeal, and I feel warranted in saying that no Grand Master ever had a more capable, efficient and loyal staff of District Deputy Grand Masters than those who have served under me during the past year. Everywhere I have gone I have found harmony, prosperity, loving courtesy and great hospitality. The delightful experiences I have had at Lodges of Instruction I have already referred to. No man can thoroughly appreciate the loyalty, good temper and loving kindness of Masons until he serves them as Grand Master. I have carefully refrained from worrying my brethren about trifles. I have endeavored to exercise all means of

enquiry before coming to any conclusion. When an offence was trifling or not intended I have been ready to forgive or overlook it. A Past Grand Master of long standing, good experience and excellent judgment, extending congratulations and advice to me, said, "Do not fuss the brethren in the lodges." I have taken that advice. I have carefully refrained from interfering with lodge prerogatives, leaving to the lodge all the rights, powers and privileges which, under the Constitution, or by practice and custom, belong to it. I am a great believer in trial by one's peers. Therefore I do not believe in trial by commission, except in extreme cases. A case has come under my observation in which a commission was issued over a year ago, which has not yet been tried, because the lodge remained indifferent, and although appealed to by the Commissioner, it took no action. The commission has been returned to the Grand Secretary, but I have directed it to be sent back to the Commissioner with a request that he would fix a day for trial, after plenty of notice, and hear the case.

RULINGS.

I have been asked for a number of rulings during the year. Many of them were really interpretations of the Constitution, and some were upon points which had already been determined by my predecessors in office. Upon those matters upon which I have had to rule I have not hesitated to take the opinion of those who have filled the office of Grand Master, which has always been given to me cheerfully. When the case was one for interpretation I have referred to the section of the Constitution and given my view of its meaning. When the point was covered by a previous ruling I have quoted it. I have taken the view that the Grand Master is the servant as well as the ruler of the Craft, and should always be ready to advise, instruct, interpret or rule, as the case may be, with promptitude and courtesy. I do not intend to inflict upon you any dissertation upon the rulings I have made, except in one or two instances, where the cases were novel and important and I was making a precedent.

1. I refused to grant a dispensation to hold a Masonic picnic in the State of Michigan,—our unpleasant

experience being too recent for me to wish any misunderstanding with that jurisdiction.

2. That no brethren should be admitted or allowed to retire during the order of balloting if there should be two or more ballots.

3. I declined to allow the reception of a petition for initiation from a Penitentiary convict out on parole.

4. I declined to recognize in any way what are called "Masonic Social Clubs,"—holding that when it was intended to hold functions of any kind a dispensation must be had in each instance. I did not decline because I had any doubt of the care that would be exercised by the brethren who applied, but because the precedent might lead to various kinds of trouble and reflection on the Craft.

5. A notice of motion was sent proposing that certain lodges west of the Great Lakes should be permitted to secede. I directed that the notice of motion should not be received,—first, because it was treasonable, and secondly, because the lodges affected had made no sign that they desired such action on their behalf.

6. Application was made for dispensation to initiate a gentleman, estimable and of spotless character, but who through an injury could not walk, though he could stand for a short time. I gave this matter very careful consideration, because the circumstances were new, and I took counsel with all who could advise. I found a difference of views, and was thrown back on my own judgment, which was that physical qualifications were almost if not a landmark; that to open the door to this case might lead to serious complications, and would tend to lower the prestige of this Grand Lodge, which is looked up to as standing upon the old lines. I therefore declined to issue a dispensation and caused my regret at my inability to be expressed to the lodge and the gentleman who had applied. There is something here that needs consideration. A man of sound judgment and strict morals, though physically imperfect, will make a better Mason than a man physically perfect but not morally sound.

7. Pembroke Lodge 128 vs. Mattawa 405. Invasion of jurisdiction. I issued a commission to Most

Wor. Bro. Burritt, who reported that there was an undoubted invasion, but more through carelessness and ignorance than design. I ruled that the initiation fee must be paid over to Pembroke Lodge; that the registration fee of \$3 must be paid by Mattawa Lodge, as well as \$10 for a dispensation, and that Mattawa Lodge must apologize to Pembroke Lodge. All these conditions have been complied with.

8. Petition presented and candidate accepted, committee reporting favorably. The Secretary, however, neglected to put the candidate's name on the circular for ballot. Two cases. In one the candidate was initiated. In the other he was not. In the case where initiation took place I declared him legally made, but sent the District Deputy Grand Master with instructions to censure the Master and Secretary, which he did in open lodge. In the other case I directed a new ballot, after proper notice.

9. A lodge's by-laws require two black balls or more to reject. A candidate was ballotted for. There was only one black ball against him. The Master declared him rejected. Having satisfied myself that there was only one black ball, I declared him wrongfully rejected and directed his initiation.

10. Is an affiliated Master Mason, against whom a charge of un-masonic conduct has been made, which charge has been referred to a Commission for trial which is still pending, in good standing? Yes, the law presumes innocence until guilt is proven.

11. Could the brother above referred to prefer a charge of un-masonic conduct? Yes.

12. A brother of the legal profession was disbarred by the Benchers of his Province by proper procedure. Several of the Benchers were men eminent in their profession, and Masons as well. The brother who was disciplined preferred charges of un-masonic conduct against them for what they did in their official capacities. The lodge informed me of the charges. I requested to see them, and they were sent for my inspection. I held the so-called charges and directed the lodge not to get them on its records at all; that we were not called upon to try a brother for what he

did as the servant of the state. These so-called charges are in the custody of the Grand Secretary.

13. The same brother preferred charges against a Judge for language the Judge used with respect to him when delivering judgment. I, for the reasons stated above, directed that the charges be not received or placed on the lodge's records. They are in the custody of the Grand Secretary.

14. The same brother preferred charges against a police magistrate for what he did in his official capacity, and I directed that the charges be not entertained.

15. The same brother preferred charges against a Right Worshipful Brother for his action as an officer of the Law Society. I directed that they be not received, and they are in the custody of the Grand Secretary.

The brother who preferred these charges is charged with un-masonic conduct, but the charge has not yet been tried.

To have allowed his charges on our records would have perhaps entailed charges of libel, but at any rate I did not propose that the Craft should be made use of to enable this brother to try and get even with eminent men for what they did. If they were guilty of any malfeasance in office we are not the court to try them.

16. The Masons of West Toronto formed a Company known as "The Masonic Temple Company" and built a Masonic Temple. In it are lodge rooms, refreshment rooms and an assembly room. They rented the assembly room for a Jewish wedding to be held on a Sunday. After the wedding, about nine o'clock in the evening, dancing and other forms of entertainment were entered upon, and although a representative of the Company was present, he did not stop this desecration of the Sabbath. There was very severe criticism of such entertainment in a Masonic building on a Sunday, and I was appealed to. I of course said we could not allow such things to take place, but I inferred there was some mistake. I wrote the Secretary of the Company for particulars, from which I gathered that they had not expected there would be dancing, etc. I was about to express my regret that more care had

not been exercised, and having obtained assurance that it would not occur again, to let the matter drop, when it was intimated to me that another Jewish wedding was to be held in the same hall on the next Sunday, and I determined that it must not take place there. Subsequently the President of the Company, a prominent representative of the West Toronto Masons; the bridegroom-elect and his friend, waited on me and asked me to withdraw my objections. Finding that while there would be no dancing it was intended to hold a wedding feast, at which healths would be drunk in all varieties of liquor, I declined to take the responsibility of allowing it to proceed in the Masonic Temple on a Sunday evening. The President intimated to me that they would go on and hold it in spite of me, as I had no control over the Company, and they were not going to hold it in the lodge room. I said to him that I sought no control of him or his Company or their hall, but I would not allow my lodges to meet in a building where dancing, banquets and the drinking of intoxicating liquors were permitted to take place on Sunday. I immediately got in communication with the Masters of the lodges meeting in that hall, and told them if banquetting and drinking was going to be added to what had already taken place I would have to call their warrants out of that building. The assurances I received were quite satisfactory to me, and I rested content.

I suppose wiser counsels prevailed after the President left me, because the wedding was held elsewhere and the incident was closed. The ownership of this building is such that the Craft at large suffers if anything unseemly takes place in it,—it matters not in what room. It is owned by a Masonic Company. It is a Masonic Temple, dedicated by the Grand Master. The Masons, being the owners, are responsible for what takes place in it, and I declined to be a party to allowing our reputation to be smirched. Of course the Company need not have come to me if they thought I had no authority or responsibility, but having come and thereby admitted something more than ordinary was to be done, to which they desired to get my consent, they invited the action I took.

I place the matter thus fully before you because I

was without precedent, and I think Grand Lodge might well make a deliverance upon the matter for the guidance of Grand Masters and Masonic Temple Companies.

CARD INDEX SYSTEM.

The Grand Master last year recommended that something should be done towards the keeping of a better record of those who belong to the Craft, and spoke of what is called the "card index system." During the year the Grand Secretary has been making enquires where this system is already in force. I also appointed a committee composed of V.W. Bro. Kenneth J. Dunstan, M.W. Bro. A. T. Freed and V.W. Bro. W. H. Wardrope, to enquire and report. I attended one meeting of this committee, which has reached a conclusion, and its report will be laid before you for your consideration. Should the work be undertaken, in all probability additional clerical assistance will be required in the Grand Secretary's office.

VISITATIONS.

Recognizing that it would be impossible for me to visit every lodge in the jurisdiction, I had to determine what policy I would follow. I therefore determined that I would go to all Lodges of Instruction to which I was invited, and that I would visit large centres where the brethren could come without much trouble or expense, and that programme I have carried out to the best of my ability. I have paid about 40 visits, in addition to Lodges of Instruction, and for your information I may say that I have visited Ottawa, Carleton Place, Napanee, Picton, Belleville, Port Hope, Toronto, Orillia, Aurora, Brampton, West Toronto, Norwich, Stratford, Hamilton, Kingston and Buffalo. I also made special visits to the Past Masters Associations of Hamilton and Toronto. Everywhere I went I had the pleasure of great gatherings, witnessed good work, and was hospitably and generously entertained. I have, during the year, looked in the faces of about 10,000 of my brethren, which is a great source of satisfaction to me.

My brethren, believe me, the man who looks after the interests of the Craft in this great jurisdiction has no easy task. The year just closed has been a very busy one, and has required every moment I could

spare from my ordinary business pursuits. I have endeavored to keep in touch with the business and other affairs of Grand Lodge. The Semi-Centennial Fund has received much attention; the relief of those in distress; the revision of by-laws; visiting, and attending Lodges of Instruction, have all required a good deal of time. There are many other things, too, which arise that take time and cause anxiety. I have submitted to you the history of my administration, with the hope that it will meet with your approval. I am closing up this year with all our interests prospering and harmony prevailing everywhere. I thank our Heavenly Father for all His goodness to me and my brethren, and I invoke His choicest blessings upon us in the year we are just entering upon.

AUBREY WHITE

Grand Master.

Toronto, Ont., 17th July, 1912.

It was moved by R.W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, seconded by M.W. Bro. J. E. Harding, and

Resolved, That the address of the M.W. the Grand Master be referred to a special committee to report thereon.

The M.W. the Grand Master named as such committee M.W. Bros. A. T. Freed, J. M. Gibson, J. H. Burritt, J. K. Kerr and E. T. Malone.

The Grand Secretary presented the Grand Treasurer's and Grand Secretary's Reports, as follows:

GRAND TREASURER'S REPORT.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge, A.F. & A.M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario:

I herewith submit a statement of the receipts and disbursements and investments account of the Grand Lodge for the year ending May 31st, 1912:

GENERAL ACCOUNT.

Balance in the Canadian Bank of Commerce	
on May 31st, 1911, was.....	\$ 4,531 18
Less outstanding cheques.....	425 22
	<hr/> \$ 4,105 96

GRAND LODGE OF CANADA

REVENUE.

Receipts from Grand Secretary:	
Revenue from Lodges.....	\$38,025 02
Interest on Bank Balance.....	183 33
Interest on Investments.....	4,936 37
Debentures matured and paid.....	4,015 34
	<hr/> \$47,160 06
	<hr/> \$51,266 02

DISBURSEMENTS

General charges	\$17,639 99
Benevolent grants	27,322 50
Grant to sufferers by fire in N. Ontario..	1,000 00

INVESTMENTS.

County of Oxford.....	\$1,613 60
City of Brandon.....	2,116 04
City of Stratford.....	980 95
	<hr/> \$ 4,710 59
Cash in Bank, 31st May, 1912...	\$1,353 60
Less outstanding cheques.....	760 66
	<hr/> \$ 592 94
	<hr/> \$51,266 02
Audited and found correct .	

HARRY VIGEON,
Chartered Accountant.

DETAILS OF DISBURSEMENTS.

1911

June 2—Grand Secretary, account incidental expenses	\$ 300 00
20—Hurley Printing Company, account to 12th June, 1911.....	71 60
Eastern Canadian Passenger Association, to 8th April, 1911.....	6 00
Bell Telephone Company, account to 1st December, 1911.....	28 50
Valley City Seating Co., to June 3, 1911	222 25
Cook, Pearce Printing Co., account to 1st June, 1911	12 00
24—Superannuation allowance to former Chief Clerk in Grand Secretary's Office to 30th June, 1911	66 67
Assistant in Grand Secretary's Office, salary to 30th June, 1911.....	66 67
Assistant Clerk in Grand Secretary's Office, salary to 30th June, 1911.....	50 00
Stenographer's salary to 30th June, 1911..	60 00
Grand Secretary's expenses to Belleville..	10 70
Grand Secretary's salary to 30th June, 1911	750 00
Grand Treasurer's salary to 30th June, 1911	50 00
Auditor's salary to 30th June, 1911.....	75 00

	Hamilton Masonic Association, rent to 30th June, 1911	115 00
	27—J. E. Harding, chairman, postage.....	15 00
	R. W. Brennan, expenses dedication The Rising Sun Lodge, 129.....v...	5 00
	H. T. Smith, transcribing evidence, St. George Lodge, 367.....	33 00
July	3—R. W. Post, expenses dedication, Bancroft Lodge, 702	28 00
	Bro. Montgomery, investigation, St. John's Lodge No. 81, Mount Brydges.....	6 50
	19—Bro. S. S. May, account Grand Lodge expenses	1,200 00
	21—Grand Master, account expenses.....	500 00
	J. B. Nixon, account Benevolent investigation	250 00
	21—Bro. D. F. Macwatt, balance allowance, 1909, 1910	92 39
	Bro. D. F. Macwatt, balance allowance, 1910, 1911	300 00
	Bro. A. T. Freed, Chairman Foreign Correspondence Committee	150 00
	25—Superannuation allowance to former Chief Clerk in Grand Secretary's Office to 30th July, 1911	66 67
	Assistant in Grand Secretary's Office, salary to 31st July, 1911.....	110 00
	Assistant Clerk in Grand Secretary's Office, salary to 31st July, 1911.....	50 00
	Stenographer's salary to 31st July, 1911...	60 00
	27—G. H. Lanigan, to 3rd July, 1911.....	13 00
	Robert Duncan Company, account to 3rd July, 1911	8 50
	Valley City Seating Company, to 31st July, 1911	185 50
	Cook, Pearce Printing Co., to 1st July, 1911	25 75
	James Burns, expenses dedication, St. John's Lodge No. 284, Brussels, and Forest Lodge No. 393, Chesley.....	9 50
	Hurley Printing Company, to 22nd July, 1911	252 00
	D. F. Macwatt, for testimonial.....	500 00
Aug.	10—Alliance Assurance Company, insurance premiums on Grand Lodge furniture and books	26 00
	New York Underwriter's insurance premiums on Grand Lodge furniture and books	26 00
	Atlas Assurance Company, insurance premium on Grand Lodge furniture and books	26 00
	18—Grand Secretary, account incidental expenses	200 00
	Hurley Printing Company, printing 1911 proceedings	200 00

26—	Superannuation allowance to former Chief Clerk in Grand Secretary's Office to 31st August, 1911	66 66
	Assistant in Grand Secretary's Office, salary to 31st August, 1911.....	83 33
	Assistant Clerk in Grand Secretary's Office, salary to 31st August, 1911.....	50 00
	Stenographer's salary to 31st August, 1911	60 00
Sept. 8—	J. B. Nixon, account benevolent investigation	250 00
22—	Bro. A. Patterson, expenses attending meeting Masonic Relief Association.....	50 00
26—	Grand Treasurer's salary to 30th Sept., 1911	50 00
	Grand Secretary's salary to 30th Sept., 1911	750 00
	Auditor's salary to 30th September, 1911..	75 00
	Hamilton Masonic Hall Association, rent to 30th September, 1911.....	115 00
	Superannuation allowance to former Chief Clerk in Grand Secretary's Office to 30th September, 1911	66 67
	Assistant in Grand Secretary's Office to 30th September, 1911.....	73 33
	Assistant Clerk in Grand Secretary's Office, salary to 30th September, 1911.....	50 00
	Stenographer's salary to 30th Sept., 1911..	60 00
	Cook, Pearce & Company, printing.....	11 75
	Ontario Engraving Company, account.....	6 83
	Thomas Lees, account.....	6 00
	Hurley Printing Company, on account....	55 00
	Robert Duncan Company, account to 1st September, 1911	33 15
Oct. 6—	J. B. Nixon, account benevolent investigation	200 00
11—	Toronto General Trusts Corporation, rent of safe to 30th September, 1911.....	25 00
	Grand Secretary, account incidental expenses	200 00
27—	Premium on Grand Secretary's bond.....	12 50
	Superannuation allowance to former Chief Clerk in Grand Secretary's Office to 31st October, 1911	66 67
	Assistant in Grand Secretary's Office, salary to 31st October, 1911.....	83 33
	Assistant Clerk in Grand Secretary's Office, salary to 31st October, 1911.....	50 00
	Stenographer's salary to 31st October, 1911	60 00
	Masonic Relief Association of United States and Canada, per capita account	241 97
Nov. 13—	Robert Duncan Company, account to 1st November, 1911	2 50
	A. W. Peene, account for boxes.....	5 00
	Hurley Printing Company, account to Nov. 3rd, 1911	100 00
	Cook, Pearce & Company, account in full..	9 50

	J. S. Gordon, to Aug. 9th, 1911.....	7 50
20—	J. B. Nixon, account Benevolent investigation	200 00
24—	Hurley Printing Company, account in full	505 60
	Grand Secretary, postage on Proceedings	229 50
30—	Superannuation allowance to former Chief Clerk in Grand Secretary's Office to 30th November, 1911	66 66
	Assistant in Grand Secretary's Office to 30th November, 1911.....	83 34
	Assistant Clerk in Grand Secretary's Office, salary to 30th November, 1911.....	50 00
	Stenographer's salary to 30th Nov., 1911.	60 00
Dec. 1—	Grand Master, account travelling expenses	100 00
	J. B. Nixon, on account.....	300 00
	6—Grand Master's stenographer.....	75 00
19—	Grand Secretary's salary to 31st Dec., 1911	750 00
	Grand Treasurer's salary to 31st Dec., 1911	50 00
	Auditor's salary to 31st December, 1911...	75 00
	Superannuation allowance to former Chief Clerk in Grand Secretary's Office to 31st December, 1911	66 67
	Assistant in Grand Secretary's Office, salary to 31st December, 1911.....	83 33
	Assistant Clerk in Grand Secretary's Office, salary to 31st December, 1911.....	50 00
	Stenographer's salary to 31st Dec., 1911...	60 00
1912		
Jan. 4—	Masonic Hall Association, rent to 1st January, 1912	115 00
18—	Bell Telephone Company, account to 1st June, 1912	20 75
	Hurley Printing Company, account to January 16th	70 35
	Hamilton Box Company, account to 30th November,	20 63
	Cook, Pearce & Company, account to Jan. 1	7 25
	Reid Press Company, account to Dec. 30th	1,012 00
	Copp, Clark & Company, account to Jan. 1st	677 60
27—	Superannuation allowance of former Chief Clerk in Grand Secretary's Office to 31st January, 1912	66 67
	Assistant in Grand Secretary's Office to 31st January, 1912.....	83 33
	Assistant Clerk in Grand Secretary's Office, salary to 31st January, 1912.....	50 00
	Stenographer's salary to 31st January, 1912	60 00
Feb. 3—	Grand Master, account travelling expenses	200 00
26—	Superannuation allowance to former Chief Clerk in Grand Secretary's Office to 29th February, 1912	66 66
	Assistant in Grand Secretary's Office, salary to 29th February, 1912.....	83 34

	Assistant Clerk in Grand Secretary's Office, salary to 29th February, 1912.....	50 00
	Stenographer's salary to 29th Feb., 1912.....	60 00
	Grand Lodge, balance expenses, July, 1911.....	170 35
Mar.	4—Robert Duncan Company, account.....	14 90
	Charles L. Rosevear, account to Feb. 1st....	6 50
	Hurley Printing Company, account to 5th February	147 65
	Reid Press Company, account to Jan. 18th.....	6 75
	Grand Secretary, account incidental ex- penses	200 00
	9—Bro. D. F. Macwatt, expenses of commission in Philp vs. Austen.....	2 52
	26—Grand Secretary's salary to 31st March, 1912	750 00
	Grand Treasurer's salary to 31st March, 1912	50 00
	Auditor's salary to 31st March, 1912.....	75 00
	Superannuation allowance to former Chief Clerk in Grand Secretary's Office to 30th March, 1912	66 67
	Assistant in Grand Secretary's Office, sal- ary to 30th March, 1912.....	83 33
	Assistant Clerk in Grand Secretary's Office, salary to 30th March, 1912.....	50 00
	Stenographer's salary to 30th March, 1912.....	60 00
	Grand Master, account travelling expenses.....	200 00
	Grand Master's stenographer.....	25 00
Apr.	19—Hamilton Masonic Hall Association, rent to 30th March, 1912.....	115 00
	J. H. Wilson, expenses re Mt. Olivet Lodge.....	4 00
	24—J. H. Burritt, expenses re Pembroke Lodge.....	16 70
	27—Superannuation allowance of former Chief Clerk in Grand Secretary's Office to 30th April, 1912	66 67
	Assistant in Grand Secretary's Office, sal- ary to 30th April, 1912.....	83 33
	Assistant Clerk in Grand Secretary's Office, salary to 30th April, 1912.....	50 00
	Stenographer's salary to 30th April, 1912.....	60 00
May	27—Bell Telephone Co., account to 30th June, 1912	14 25
	Robert Duncan & Co., account to date.....	35 25
	Grand Secretary, expenses to Picton.....	13 55
	Superannuation allowance to former Chief Clerk in Grand Secretary's Office to 31st May, 1912	66 66
	Assistant in Grand Secretary's Office, sal- ary to 31st May, 1912.....	83 34
	Assistant Clerk in Grand Secretary's Office, salary to 31st May, 1912.....	50 00
	Stenographer's salary to 31st May, 1912.....	60 00
	30—Cook, Pearce Printing Co., account.....	14 00
	Copp, Clark Co., account.....	350 00

\$17,639 99

Benevolent Orders	\$27,322 50
North Ontario Grant.....	1,000 00
Debenture Investments	4,710 59
Balance in Bank.....	592 94
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	\$51,266 02

The attached Statement of Assets shows the amount to the credit of the General Fund on the 31st May, 1912, and the sums invested, with rates of interest. All the debentures are deposited in the vaults of The Toronto General Trusts Corporation, and are under the care of the Grand Treasurer and the Grand Secretary, who, in addition to the vault clerk of the Toronto General Trusts Corporation, hold check keys of the rented box where the debentures are deposited.

E. T. MALONE,
Grand Treasurer.

Audited—Certified to as being correct.

HARRY VIGEON,
Chartered Accountant.

19th June, 1912.

GENERAL ACCOUNT

Statement of Assets at May 31st, 1912

Securities	Rate of Interest		Cost Value	Face Value
	Bear- ing %.	Yield- ing %.		
Landed Banking & Loan Company	4½	4½	\$ 10,000 00	\$ 10,000 00
Toronto General Trusts Corporation	4⅝	4⅝	11,000 00	11,000 00
Berlin, Town of.....	5	4½	5,604 87	5,469 77
Berlin, Town of.....	5	5	5,523 08	5,523 08
Brandon, City of.....	5	4½	10,399 00	10,000 00
Brandon, City of.....	5	4⅝	2,116 04	2,000 00
Brantford, City of.....	4	3⅞	8,173 60	8,000 00
Brockville, Town of	4	4½	3,522 50	3,760 95
Brockville, Town of	4	4⅝	3,787 67	3,985 34
Hamilton, City of	4	4¾	2,777 70	3,000 00
Kincardine, Town of	5	4⅞	509 80	500 00
New Westminster, City of	5	4.80	5,125 50	5,000 00
New Westminster, City of	5	4¾	5,208 50	5,000 00
Oxford, County of.....	5	4½	1,613 60	1,509 58
Peterboro, Town of.....	4½	4½	5,121 37	5,121 37
Port Arthur, City of.....	5	4⅞	1,009 31	1,000 00
St. Thomas, City of.	4	4⅞	12,026 07	12,148 50
St. Thomas, City of.	5	4½	5,536 99	5,351 16
Stratford, City of	4½	4⅝	980 95	1,000 00
Strathcona, City of.....	4½	4¾	4,842 00	5,018 28
Toronto, City of.....	3½	4.05	4,484 14	4,866 66
			<u>\$109,362 69</u>	<u>\$109,254 69</u>
Balance in Canadian Bank of Commerce 31st May, 1912.....			\$1,353 60	
Less cheques outstanding 31st May, 1912....			<u>760 66</u>	
				592 94
				<u>\$109,847 63</u>

Fraternally submitted,

E. T. MALONE,
Grand Treasurer.

Correct.

HARRY VIGEON,
Chartered Accountant.

19th June, 1912.

1911—1912

PAYMENTS BY GRAND TREASURER ON ACCOUNT OF BENEVOLENCE

June, 1911

2 Bro. T. H. L.	\$50 00
24 Mrs. T. D. H.	75 00
Miss M. W.	75 00
Miss M. H. H.	18 75
27 Bro. J. W. G.	25 00

Aug.

1 Mrs. W. A. T.	30 00
Mrs. J. V.	30 00
Bro. H. J. H.	75 00
Miss C. P.	25 00
Miss U. P.	25 00
Mrs. W. C. S.	35 00
Mrs. A. S.	30 00
Mrs. G. G.	30 00
Bro. W. G.	75 00
Mrs. J. J.	40 00
Bro. T. K.	50 00
Miss A. McP.	25 00
Mrs. G. P.	40 00
Mrs. R. A. K.	25 00
Bro. R. T. P.	75 00
Mrs. T. H. W.	25 00
Mrs. A. T.	20 00
Bro. W. A. D.	50 00
Mrs. C. W. S. S. ..	50 00
Mrs. R. G.	30 00
Mrs. A. H.	30 00
Mrs. J. J. M.	50 00
Bro. J. C.	37 50
Mrs. J. C.	50 00
Mrs. J. F. H.	25 00
Mrs. R. McK.	25 00
Mrs. T. E. McD.	25 00
Mrs. J. A. M.	30 00
Mrs. A. M.	30 00
Mrs. H. V.	30 00
Mrs. W. R.	30 00
Bro. J. B. S.	50 00
Bro. R. T. S.	30 00
Bro. G. S.	25 00
Mrs. R. W.	25 00
Bro. W. J. H.	30 00
Mrs. E. C. S.	25 00
Mrs. C. W. M.	30 00
Mrs. J. B.	30 00
Mrs. J. M.	30 00
Mrs. J. T.	10 00
Miss M. D.	35 00
Mrs. W. J. A.	20 00

Aug.

1 Bro. E. H. B.	\$75 00
Bro. W. McC.	30 00
Bro. G. P.	30 00
Mrs. J. W.	30 00
Mrs. W. P.	30 00
Mrs. T. E.	25 00
Mrs. H. G.	20 00
Mrs. J. H.	10 00
Mrs. H. L. K.	30 00
Mrs. R. O.	20 00
Mrs. A. P.	20 00
Mrs. J. P.	20 00
Mrs. J. W.	20 00
Mrs. J. A.	40 00
Mrs. T. W. H.	30 00
Mrs. J. W. K.	25 00
Mrs. T. McC. L.	40 00
Mrs. D. W. V.	30 00
Mrs. G. C.	20 00
Mrs. W. H. H.	20 00
Mrs. A. J.	30 00
Mrs. W. M.	20 00
Mrs. W. J. S.	40 00
Mrs. W. P.	20 00
Mrs. B. C. T.	20 00
Mrs. J. W.	20 00
Mrs. J. L. Y.	20 00
Mrs. T. B.	15 00
Mrs. J. E. M.	50 00
Bro. W. H. W.	30 00
Mrs. J. E.	30 00
Mrs. P. G.	30 00
Miss A. P. H.	10 00
Miss H. M. H.	20 00
Mrs. W. B.	20 00
Mrs. D. G.	30 00
Bro. G. H.	75 00
Mrs. D. B.	30 00
Miss E. K.	20 00
Mrs. J. W. McD.	20 00
Mrs. W. G. S. R.	20 00
Mrs. W. F.	30 00
Mrs. W. H. B.	25 00
Mrs. A. H.	15 00
Mrs. H. H.	20 00
Mrs. W. H. H.	30 00
Mrs. F. G. B.	20 00
Mrs. T. J. B.	20 00
Mrs. S. M. D.	20 00

Aug.

1 Bro. J. A. C.	\$75 00
Mrs. W. P. K.	20 00
Mrs. A. L.	25 00
S. (son) Bro. J. L. ..	25 00
Mrs. J. McK.	25 00
Mrs. W. McM.	30 00
Mrs. W. W. T.	40 00
Mrs. C. W. M.	10 00
Mrs. A. M.	10 00
Mrs. W. M.	25 00
Mrs. T. S. S.	15 00
Mrs. W. B.	30 00
Mrs. H. C.	20 00
Mrs. G. H. N.	25 00
Mrs. J. G.	30 00
Bro. E. H. R.	30 00
Mrs. F. C.	10 00
Bro. H. O. H.	75 00
Mrs. R. S.	25 00
Mrs. C. McL.	30 00
Miss E. A. B.	20 00
Mrs. H. H.	25 00
Mrs. D. McK.	30 00
Mrs. W. H. S.	20 00
Mrs. G. S.	30 00
Mrs. J. L. H.	20 00
Bro. J. H.	75 00
Bro. W. J. K.	75 00
Mrs. W. J. T.	20 00
Mrs. F. S. B.	30 00
Bro. A. E. B.	75 00
Mrs. T. G.	50 00
Mrs. R. D. M.	25 00
Mrs. G. T. P.	40 00
Mrs. T. G. T.	15 00
Mrs. E. S. W.	25 00
Mrs. D. H. W.	25 00
Mrs. J. M.	20 00
Mrs. A. R. P.	40 00
Mrs. J. T. G.	30 00
Mrs. E. W.	40 00
Mrs. J. H. B.	20 00
Mrs. W. A. B.	30 00
Mrs. R. H. D.	25 00
E. (dau.) Bro. E. E.	20 00
Mrs. R. H.	10 00
Mrs. J. P.	20 00
Mrs. T. R.	25 00
Mrs. A. W.	25 00
Mrs. S. W.	30 00
Bro. F. J.	50 00
Mrs. R. M.	40 00
Mrs. J. R. L. S.	25 00
Mrs. R. C.	30 00

Aug.

1 Mrs. G. H. B.	\$40 00
Mrs. R. L. D.	30 00
Mrs. E. (mother) Bro	
J. O.	15 00
Mrs. J. R. W.	30 00
Mrs. J. L. R.	50 00
Mrs. C. J. A.	30 00
Mrs. F. D.	40 00
Mrs. T. McK.	50 00
Mrs. W. J. B.	30 00
Mrs. J. W. H.	20 00
Mrs. H. St. V. J. ..	20 00
Mrs. H. S. McG.	20 00
Mrs. G. M. McL.	40 00
Mrs. C. N.	40 00
Mrs. R. C.	30 00
Mrs. P. P.	30 00
Mrs. F. W. S.	40 00
Bro. T. T.	50 00
Mrs. M. McL.	35 00
Mrs. W. E. H.	50 00
Mrs. G. K.	30 00
Mrs. C. H. S.	30 00
Mrs. S. B.	20 00
Mrs. W. C.	30 00
Mrs. J. N.	40 00
Bro. J. A. G.	50 00
Mrs. C. J. L.	25 00
Bro. M. G. R.	75 00
Mrs. J. A. B.	30 00
Mrs. F. M. B.	40 00
Mrs. H. H.	35 00
Mrs. J. M.	25 00
Mrs. J. S.	25 00
Mrs. W. T. W.	40 00
Mrs. A. C.	20 00
Mrs. S. C.	50 00
Mrs. J. A.	20 00
A (dau) Bro. J. C. ..	50 00
Mrs. H. C. VanC. ..	40 00
Bro. J. F.	75 00
Mrs. G. W.	50 00
Mrs. J. M.	30 00
Mrs. W. F.	50 00
Mrs. R. A. D.	40 00
Mrs. C. J. H.	40 00
Mrs. J. B.	30 00
Mrs. G. F. H.	30 00
Mrs. S. S. R.	30 00
Mrs. W. B. W.	50 00
Bro. J. C.	50 00
Mrs. L. R.	40 00
Bro. J. M.	75 00
Mrs. T. H. S.	40 00
Mrs. W. W.	10 00
Bro. A. C.	75 00

Aug.

1 Mrs. H. E.	\$25 00
Mrs. A. DeP.	30 00
Mrs. T. H.	30 00
Bro. W. B.	50 00
Mrs. E. W.	30 00
Orphans Bro. W. H. W.	40 00
Mrs. C. J. A.	20 00
Mrs. H. A.	40 00
Bro. S. B.	50 00
Mrs. J. H. W.	30 00
Mrs. W. J. W.	25 00
Mrs. D. L. C.	20 00
Mrs. B. D. E.	30 00
Mrs. A. C.	40 00
Bro. W. A. D.	75 00
Mrs. W. K.	50 00
Mrs. W. J. C.	40 00
Mrs. J. M.	30 00
Mrs. J. B.	30 00
Mrs. J. M. A.	30 00
Mrs. J. E. H.	40 00
Bro. G. C.	50 00
Bro. F. McM.	75 00
Bro. J. M.	50 00
Bro. J. K.	75 00
Bro. F. R.	30 00
Mrs. A. (mother) Bro. W. H. W.	40 00
Mrs. W. J. B.	20 00
Mrs. J. E.	20 00
Mrs. W. M.	20 00
Mrs. C. F. R.	40 00
Mrs. W. R. A.	15 00
Mrs. A. C. C.	20 00
Mrs. C. H. C.	20 00
Mrs. G. O. F.	40 00
Mrs. G. G.	20 00
Mrs. W. E. K.	20 00
Mrs. M. J. L.	20 00
Mrs. S. T.	40 00
Mrs. P. F.	30 00
Children Bro. J. G. L.	30 00
Mrs. C. G.	25 00
Mrs. T. T. J.	15 00
Mrs. S. M.	40 00
Mrs. T. B.	30 00
Mrs. J. H. H.	20 00
Mrs. R. W. L.	30 00
Mrs. W. McG.	50 00
Bro. W. S.	25 00
Mrs. J. H.	30 00
Bro. J. E. R.	75 00
Mrs. W. A.	20 00
Bro. T. H.	50 00
Mrs. J. W.	50 00

Aug.

1 Mrs. G. R.	\$40 00
Mrs. J. S.	20 00
Mrs. J. B.	20 00
Mrs. C. F.	30 00
Mrs. E. H. R.	20 00
Mrs. D. S.	10 00
Mrs. J. H. T.	30 00
Mrs. J. W. M.	30 00
Mrs. J. S.	75 00
Mrs. T. G. B.	50 00
Mrs. C. B.	10 00
Mrs. D. G. K.	35 00
Mrs. G. S.	25 00
Mrs. J. F.	50 00
M. (dau.) Bro. T. L.	20 00
Mrs. J. A. MacI.	25 00
Mrs. J. S.	20 00
Mrs. J. R.	50 00
Mrs. N. M. C.	25 00
Mrs. C. W. C.	20 00
Mrs. H. G. G.	40 00
Mrs. J. McC.	30 00
Bro. G. A. P.	75 00
Bro. M. McA.	75 00
Mrs. J. P.	40 00
Bro. J. C.	50 00
Bro. R. A.	50 00
Mrs. W. E. J.	50 00
Mrs. J. A.	50 00
H. (dau.) Bro. J. R. S.	30 00
Bro. W. B.	50 00
Mrs. W. C.	25 00
A. (dau.) Bro. M. V.	20 00
Bro. A. B.	50 00
Mrs. C. C.	25 00
Mrs. G. A. S.	30 00
Mrs. R. E. S.	50 00
Mrs. W. R. S.	25 00
Bro. J. McI.	50 00
Mrs. J. F.	30 00
Mrs. W. Y.	50 00
Mrs. W. D. F.	30 00
Bro. T. P.	30 00
Mrs. A. K.	30 00
Bro. W. H. L.	75 00
Mrs. J. P.	30 00
Mrs. J. Z.	20 00
Mrs. J. A. C.	30 00
Mrs. S. W.	30 00
Mrs. R. H. W.	20 00
Children Bro. J. S.	25 00
Mrs. D. McN.	30 00
Mrs. D. L.	50 00
Mrs. P. N.	30 00

Aug.

1	Mrs. J. W.	\$20 00
	Mrs. G. H. L.	50 00
	Mrs. W. C.	15 00
	Mrs. E. W.	40 00
	Bro. E. W. T.	75 00
	Mrs. R. C.	20 00
	Bro. H. J. N.	75 00
	Mrs. R. A. R.	20 00
	Mrs. J. A.	50 00
	Mrs. G. W. A.	40 00
	Bro. E. G.	75 00
	Bro. R. V.	75 00
	Mrs. R. A.	50 00
	Mrs. T. L.	40 00
	Mrs. E. D.	40 00
	Mrs. C. C.	30 00
	Bro. C. L.	15 00
	Bro. J. F. S.	25 00
	Bro. C. S.	75 00
	Daughter of Bro. T. G.	50 00
	Mrs. H. R.	35 00
	Mrs. J. McN.	30 00
	Mrs. J. M.	30 00
	Mrs. R. G. R.	20 00
	Mrs. A. L.	20 00
	Mrs. T. McG.	20 00
	Mrs. W. B. S.	20 00
	Mrs. A. A. M.	40 00
	Bro. J. C. M.	50 00
	Bro. F. P.	75 00
	Bro. J. B.	75 00
	Mrs. J. S.	30 00
	Mrs. C. C. G.	15 00
	Mrs. W. H. E.	40 00
	Mrs. J. W. W.	40 00
	Bro. F. O'D.	50 00
	Bro. H. H.	30 00
	Bro. G. A. C.	40 00
	Mrs. J. D. R.	30 00
	Mrs. S. H. W.	30 00
	Mrs. J. E. E.	15 00
	Bro. S. A.	50 00
	Mrs. R. A. P.	30 00
	Miss P. R.	25 00
	Mrs. G. W.	50 00
	Mrs. J. C.	50 00
	Mrs. J. F. T.	30 00
	Bro. S. D.	75 00
	Mrs. P. C.	50 00
	Mrs. A. F.	20 00
	Mrs. J. H. B.	50 00
	Mrs. A. C.	30 00
	Mrs. F. L. H.	30 00
	Bro. H. C. E. C.	25 00
	Bro. W. B.	50 00

Aug.

1	Bro. G. R. McL.	\$75 00
	Bro. T. P.	50 00
	Mrs. S. S.	30 00
	Mrs. W. B.	50 00
	Mrs. D. C.	40 00
	Mrs. A. C.	50 00
	Bro. W. A. K.	50 00
	Mrs. R. E.	20 00
	Bro. J. W. G.	75 00
	Mrs. A. B.	50 00
14	Mrs. T. H. C.	50 00
31	Mrs. A. F. D.	50 00
Sept.		
22	Bro. L. G.	50 00
23	Bro. D. C.	50 00
26	Mrs. T. D. H.	75 00
	Miss M. H. H.	18 75
	Miss M. W.	75 00
Oct.		
19	Mrs. J. E. A.	40 00
28	Mrs. G.	30 00
Nov.		
7	Mrs. E. A. W.	50 00
10	Mrs. W. A. R.	50 00
18	Mrs. W. H. M.	50 00
24	Mrs. A. B.	50 00
29	Bro. J. W. R.	50 00
30	Mrs. A. W. C.	40 00
Dec.		
7	Bro. J. F.	50 00
13	Bro. J. N.	50 00
19	Bro. J. W.	50 00
	Mrs. T. D. H.	75 00
	Miss M. H. H.	18 75
	Miss M. W.	75 00
23	Mrs. J. H.	40 00
	Bro. J. R.	50 00
Jan. 1912		
4	Mrs. F. S. A.	50 00
5	Bro. W. H. I.	25 00
13	Bro. J. A. S.	50 00
15	Bro. J. A. G.	50 00
17	Mrs. A. E. H.	40 00
18	Bro. J. A. H.	50 00
Feb.		
14	Bro. H. A.	50 00
	Mrs. W. A. T.	30 00
15	Mrs. J. V.	30 00
	Bro. H. J. H.	75 00
	Miss C. P.	25 00
	Miss U. P.	25 00
	Mrs. W. C. S.	35 00
	Mrs. A. S.	30 00
	Mrs. G. G.	30 00
	Bro. W. G.	75 00
	Mrs. J. J.	40 00

Feb.

15	Bro. T. K.	\$50 00
	Miss A. McP.	25 00
	Mrs. G. P.	40 00
	Mrs. R. A. K.	25 00
	Mrs. R. T. P.	75 00
	Mrs. T. H. W.	25 00
	Mrs. A. T.	20 00
	Bro. W. A. D.	50 00
	Mrs. C. W. S. S.	50 00
	Mrs. A. H.	30 00
	Mrs. J. J. M.	50 00
	Mrs. J. C.	50 00
	Mrs. J. E. H.	25 00
	Mrs. R. M. K.	25 00
	Mrs. T. E. McD. ..	25 00
	Mrs. A. M.	30 00
	Mrs. H. V.	30 00
	Mrs. W. R.	30 00
	Bro. J. B. S.	50 00
	Bro. R. T. S.	30 00
	Bro. G. S.	25 00
	Mrs. R. W.	25 00
	Bro. W. J. H.	30 00
	Mrs. C. W. M.	30 00
	Mrs. E. C. S.	25 00
	Mrs. J. B.	30 00
	Mrs. J. M.	30 00
	Mrs. J. T.	10 00
	Miss M. D.	10 00
	Mrs. W. J. A.	20 00
	Bro. W. H. B.	75 00
	Bro. W. McC.	30 00
	Bro. G. P.	30 00
	Mrs. J. W.	30 00
	Mrs. W. P.	30 00
	Mrs. T. E.	25 00
	Mrs. H. G.	20 00
	Mrs. J. H.	10 00
	Mrs. H. L. K.	30 00
	Mrs. R. O.	20 00
	Mrs. A. P.	20 00
	Mrs. J. P.	20 00
	Mrs. J. W.	20 00
	Mrs. J. A.	40 00
	Mrs. T. W. H.	30 00
	Mrs. J. W. K.	25 00
	Mrs. T. McL.	40 00
	Mrs. D. W. V.	30 00
	Mrs. G. C.	20 00
	Mrs. W. H. H.	20 00
	Mrs. A. J.	30 00
	Mrs. W. M.	20 00
	Mrs. W. J. S.	40 00
	Mrs. W. F.	20 00
	Mrs. B. C. T.	20 00

Feb.

15	Mrs. J. W.	\$20 00
	Mrs. T. B.	15 00
	Mrs. J. E. M.	50 00
	Bro. W. H. W.	30 00
	Mrs. J. E.	30 00
	Mrs. P. G.	30 00
	Miss A. P. H.	10 00
	Miss H. M. H.	20 00
	Mrs. W. B.	20 00
	Mrs. D. G.	30 00
	Mrs. D. B.	30 00
	Miss E. K.	20 00
	Mrs. J. W. M.	20 00
	Mrs. W. G. S. R. ..	20 00
	Mrs. W. F.	30 00
	Mrs. W. H. B.	25 00
	Mrs. A. H.	15 00
	Mrs. H. H.	20 00
	Mrs. W. M. H.	30 00
	Mrs. T. J. B.	20 00
	Mrs. S. M. D.	20 00
	Bro. J. A. C.	75 00
	Mrs. W. P. K.	20 00
	Mrs. A. L.	25 00
	Mrs. S. L.	25 00
	Mrs. J. McK.	25 00
	Mrs. W. McM.	30 00
	Mrs. W. H. T.	40 00
	Mrs. C. W. M.	10 00
	Mrs. A. M.	10 00
	Mrs. W. M.	25 00
	Mrs. T. S. S.	15 00
	Mrs. W. B.	30 00
	Mrs. H. C.	20 00
	Mrs. G. H. N.	25 00
	Mrs. J. G.	30 00
	Bro. E. H. R.	30 00
	Mrs. F. C.	10 00
	Bro. H. O. H.	75 00
	Mrs. R. S.	25 00
	Mrs. C. McL.	30 00
	Miss E. A. B.	20 00
	Mrs. H. H.	25 00
	Mrs. D. McK.	30 00
	Mrs. W. H. S.	20 00
	Mrs. G. S.	30 00
	Mrs. J. L. H.	20 00
	Bro. J. H.	75 00
	Bro. W. J. K.	75 00
	Bro. W. J. T.	20 00
	Mrs. F. S. B.	30 00
	Bro. A. E. B.	75 00
	Mrs. T. G.	50 00
	Mrs. R. D. M.	25 00
	Mrs. G. T. P.	40 00

Feb.

15	Mrs. T. G. T.	\$15 00
	Mrs. E. S. W.	25 00
	Mrs. D. H. W.	25 00
	Mrs. J. M.	20 00
	Mrs. A. R. P.	40 00
	Mrs. J. T. G.	30 00
	Mrs. E. W.	40 00
	Mrs. J. H. B.	20 00
	Mrs. W. A. B.	30 00
	Mrs. R. H. D.	25 00
	Miss E. E.	20 00
	Mrs. R. H.	10 00
	Mrs. J. P.	20 00
	Mrs. T. R.	25 00
	Mrs. A. W.	25 00
	Mrs. S. W.	30 00
	Bro. F. J.	50 00
	Mrs. R. M.	40 00
	Mrs. J. R. L. S. ..	25 00
	Mrs. R. C.	30 00
	Mrs. G. H. B.	40 00
	Mrs. R. L. D.	30 00
	Mrs. E. O.	15 00
	Mrs. J. R. W.	30 00
	Mrs. J. L. R.	50 00
	Mrs. O. J. H.	30 00
	Mrs. F. D.	40 00
	Mrs. T. McK.	50 00
	Mrs. W. J. H.	30 00
	Mrs. J. W. H.	20 00
	Mrs. H. St. V. J. ..	20 00
	Mrs. H. S. McG. ...	20 00
	Mrs. G. M. McL. ..	40 00
	Mrs. C. N.	40 00
	Mrs. R. C.	30 00
	Mrs. P. P.	30 00
	Mrs. F. W. S.	40 00
	Mrs. T. T.	50 00
	Mrs. M. McL.	35 00
	Mrs. W. E. H.	50 00
	Mrs. G. K.	30 00
	Mrs. C. F. H. S. ..	30 00
	Mrs. S. B.	20 00
	Mrs. W. C.	30 00
	Mrs. J. H.	40 00
	Mrs. C. J. L.	25 00
	Bro. M. G. R.	75 00
	Mrs. J. A. B.	30 00
	Mrs. F. M. B.	40 00
	Mrs. H. H.	35 00
	Mrs. J. M.	25 00
	Mrs. J. S.	25 00
	Mrs. W. T. W.	40 00
	Mrs. A. C.	20 00
	Mrs. S. M. C.	50 00

Feb.

15	Mrs. J. A.	\$20 00
	Miss A. C.	50 00
	Mrs. H. C. V. C. ..	40 00
	Mrs. G. O. W.	50 00
	Mrs. J. M.	30 00
	Mrs. W. F.	50 00
	Mrs. R. A. D.	40 00
	Mrs. C. J. H.	40 00
	Mrs. J. S. B.	30 00
	Mrs. G. F. H.	30 00
	Mrs. S. S. R.	30 00
	Mrs. W. B. W.	50 00
	Bro. J. C.	50 00
	Mrs. L. R.	40 00
	Mrs. T. H. S.	40 00
	Mrs. W. W.	10 00
	Bro. A. C.	75 00
	Mrs. H. E.	25 00
	Mrs. A. DeP.	30 00
	Mrs. T. H.	30 00
	Bro. W. B.	50 00
	Mrs. E. W.	30 00
	Orphans Bro. W. H. W.	40 00
	Mrs. C. J. A.	20 00
	Mrs. H. A.	40 00
	Bro. S. B.	50 00
	Mrs. J. H. W.	30 00
	Mrs. W. J. W.	25 00
	Mrs. D. L. C.	20 00
	Mrs. B. H. E.	30 00
	Mrs. A. C.	40 00
	Bro. W. A. D.	75 00
	Mrs. W. K.	50 00
	Mrs. W. J. C.	40 00
	Mrs. J. M.	30 00
	Mrs. J. B.	30 00
	Mrs. J. M. A.	30 00
	Mrs. J. E. H.	40 00
	Mrs. G. C.	50 00
	Bro. F. McM.	75 00
	Bro. J. M.	50 00
	Bro. J. K.	75 00
	Bro. F. R.	30 00
	Mrs. A. W.	40 00
	Mrs. W. J. B.	20 00
	Mrs. J. E.	20 00
	Mrs. W. M.	20 00
	Mrs. C. F. R.	40 00
	Mrs. W. R. A.	15 00
	Mrs. A. C. C.	20 00
	Mrs. C. H. C.	20 00
	Mrs. G. O. F.	40 00
	Mrs. G. G.	20 00
	Mrs. W. E. K.	20 00
	Mrs. M. J. L.	20 00

Feb.

15	Mrs. S. T.	\$40 00
	Mrs. P. F.	30 00
	Children Bro. J.G.L.	30 00
	Mrs. C. G.	25 00
	Mrs. T. T. J.	15 00
	Mrs. S. M.	40 00
	Mrs. T. B.	30 00
	Mrs. J. R. H.	20 00
	Mrs. R. W. L.	30 00
	Mrs. W. McG.	50 00
	Bro. W. S.	25 00
	Mrs. J. H.	30 00
	Bro. J. E. R.	75 00
	Mrs. W. A.	20 00
	Bro. T. H.	50 00
	Mrs. J. W.	50 00
	Mrs. G. R.	40 00
	Mrs. J. S.	20 00
	Mrs. C. B.	20 00
	Mrs. C. F.	30 00
	Mrs. E. H. R.	20 00
	Mrs. D. S.	10 00
	Mrs. J. H. T.	30 00
	Mrs. J. W. M.	30 00
	Mrs. T. O. B.	50 00
	Mrs. C. B.	10 00
	Mrs. D. G. K.	35 00
	Mrs. G. S.	25 00
	Mrs. J. F.	50 00
	Miss M. L.	20 00
	Mrs. J. R.	50 00
	Mrs. N. M. C.	25 00
	Mrs. C. W. C.	20 00
	Mrs. H. G. G.	40 00
	Mrs. J. McC.	30 00
	Bro. G. W. A. P. ..	75 00
	Mrs. M. McA.	75 00
	Mrs. J. P.	40 00
	Bro. W. A.	50 00
	Mrs. W. E. J.	50 00
	Mrs. J. A.	50 00
	Miss H. S.	30 00
	Mrs. W. C.	25 00
	Miss A. V.	20 00
	Bro. A. B.	50 00
	Mrs. G. A. C.	25 00
	Mrs. G. A. S.	30 00
	Mrs. R. L. S.	50 00
	Mrs. W. R. S.	25 00
	Bro. J. McI.	50 00
	Mrs. J. F.	30 00
	Mrs. W. Y.	50 00
	Mrs. H. D. F.	30 00
	Mrs. A. K.	30 00
	Bro. W. H. L.	75 00

Feb.

15	Mrs. J. P.	\$30 00
	Mrs. J. Z.	20 00
	Mrs. J. A. C.	30 00
	Mrs. S. W.	30 00
	Mrs. R. W.	20 00
	Children Bro. J. S. .	25 00
	Mrs. D. McN.	30 00
	Mrs. P. N.	30 00
	Mrs. J. W.	20 00
	Mrs. G. H. L.	50 00
	Mrs. W. C.	15 00
	Mrs. E. W.	40 00
	Bro. E. W. T.	75 00
	Mrs. R. C.	20 00
	Bro. H. J. N.	75 00
	Mrs. R. A. R.	20 00
	Miss L. A.	50 00
	Mrs. G. W. A.	40 00
	Bro. R. V.	75 00
	Mrs. R. A.	50 00
	Mrs. T. L.	40 00
	Mrs. E. D.	40 00
	Mrs. C. C.	30 00
	Bro. C. L.	15 00
	Mrs. J. F. S.	25 00
	Bro. C. S.	75 00
	Miss G. G.	50 00
	Mrs. H. R.	35 00
	Mrs. J. McN.	30 00
	Mrs. J. M.	30 00
	Mrs. R. G. R.	20 00
	Mrs. A. L.	20 00
	Mrs. T. H. McG. ..	20 00
	Mrs. W. B. S.	20 00
	Mrs. A. A. M.	40 00
	Bro. J. C. M.	50 00
	Bro. F. P.	75 00
	Bro. J. B.	75 00
	Mrs. J. S.	30 00
	Mrs. C. C. G.	15 00
	Mrs. J. W. W.	40 00
	Bro. F. O. D.	50 00
	Bro. H. H.	30 00
	Bro. G. A. C.	40 00
	Mrs. J. D. R.	30 00
	Mrs. S. H. W.	30 00
	Mrs. J. E. E.	15 00
	Mrs. R. A. P.	30 00
	Miss P. R.	25 00
	Mrs. G. W.	50 00
	Bro. J. C.	50 00
	Mrs. J. F. T.	30 00
	Bro. S. D.	75 00
	Mrs. P. C.	50 00
	Mrs. A. F.	20 00

Feb.

15	Mrs. J. H. B.	\$50 00
	Mrs. A. C.	30 00
	Mrs. F. L. H.	30 00
	Bro. H. C. C.	25 00
	Bro. W. B.	50 00
	Bro. G. R. McL. ..	75 00
	Bro. T. P.	50 00
	Mrs. S. S.	30 00
	Mrs. W. B.	50 00
	Mrs. D. C.	40 00
	Mrs. A. C.	50 00
	Bro. W. A. K.	50 00
	Mrs. R. E.	20 00
	Mrs. A. B.	50 00
	Mrs. E. G.	40 00
	Bro. H. W. B.	50 00
	Bro. E. C. D.	50 00

Feb.

15	Bro. J. C.	\$50 00
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March

2	Mrs. A. V. F.	50 00
	Mrs. H. H.	40 00
9	Mrs. G. H. L.	50 00
26	Mrs. T. D. H.	75 00
	Miss M. H. H.	18 75
	Miss M. W.	75 00
28	Bro. S. A. B.	50 00

April

19	Mrs. E. L. Z.	50 00
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 \$27,372 50

Less Cheque No.

2304	cancelled ..	50 00
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 \$27,322 50

THE SEMI-CENTENNIAL BENEVOLENT FUND

*To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers
and Members of the Grand Lodge, A.F. & A.M.
of Canada, in the Province of Ontario:*

I herewith submit a Statement of Receipts and Expenditures of the Semi-Centennial Fund for the year ending May 31st, 1912:

RECEIPTS.

To balance at credit of the account in the Canadian Bank of Commerce on May 31st, 1911	\$ 4,268 05
Less outstanding cheques.....	890 00
	<hr/> \$ 3,378 05
To amount received from Grand Secretary during year ending May 31st, 1912..	\$ 6,545 31
To interest on investments.....	3,835 86
To interest on bank deposits.....	103 95
Dividend on Hamilton Masonic Hall Association stock, value \$100, standing in the name of the Grand Secretary (not payable until June 4th, 1912).....	
Berlin debenture instalment matured.....	48 78
Ottawa debentures matured	10,000 00
	<hr/> \$20,533 90
	<hr/> \$23,911 95

DISBURSEMENTS.

By Purchase:—

City of St. Thomas Debentures.....	\$ 2,021 80
City of Berlin Debentures.....	3,088 38
City of Berlin Debentures.....	7,592 25
Walkerville Debentures	3,516 34
Municipality of Shuniah Debentures.....	1,015 90
	<hr/> \$17,234 67
Benevolent grants as per annexed list....	4,515 00
Balance in bank.....	\$3,902 28
Less outstanding cheques.....	1,740 00
	<hr/> \$ 2,162 28
	<hr/> \$23,911 95

All of which is fraternally submitted,

E. T. MALONE,
Grand Treasurer.

Correct.

HARRY VIGEON,
Chartered Accountant.

June 19th, 1912.

SEMI-CENTENNIAL BENEVOLENT FUND

Statement of Assets at May 31st, 1912

Securities	Rate of Interest		Cost Value	Face Value
	Bear- ing %.	Yield- ing %.		
DEBENTURES				
Berlin, City of.....	5	4½	\$ 1,381 36	\$ 1,323 40
Berlin, City of.....	5	4¾	7,592 25	7,500 00
Berlin, City of.....	5	4½	3,088 38	3,000 00
Brandon, City of.....	5	4½	4,170 00	4,000 00
Calgary, City of	4½	4½	3,980 00	4,000 00
East Toronto, Town of	5	5½	1,600 08	1,635 12
Galt, Town of.....	4	5	1,695 60	2,000 00
Ingersoll, Town of.	4	5	891 60	1,000 00
Kincardine, Town of.	5	4⅞	1,019 60	1,000 00
North Vancouver, Dist. of	4½	4¾	2,880 60	3,000 00
Oakville, Town of.....	5	4¾	4,971 42	4,787 92
Oshawa, Town of.....	4½	4½	5,272 13	5,272 13
Ottawa, City of	4	4½	1,951 80	2,000 00
Owen Sound, Town of...	4½	5	940 10	1,000 00
Owen Sound, Town of...	5	4¼	2,200 80	2,000 00
Peterborough, City of ...	3	4	1,693 20	2,000 00
Peterborough, City of ...	4	5	907 90	1,000 00
Peterborough, City of ...	4¾	4½	1,905 50	1,850 00
Peterborough, City of . .	4½	4½	3,854 72	3,854 72
St. Catharines, City of...	4	4¼	5,141 74	5,319 96
Saltfleet, Township of ...	5	4¾	4,119 22	4,000 00
St. Thomas, City of.....	5	4¾	3,032 70	3,000 00
St. Thomas, City of.....	5	4¾	2,021 80	2,000 00
Sault Ste. Marie, Town of	5	4¾	1,862 64	1,800 00
Shuniah, Municipality of.	5	4⅞	1,015 90	1,000 00
Seaforth, Town of.....	5	4¾	4,105 56	4,000 00
Toronto, City of.....	3½	4	4,830 50	5,000 00
Walkerville, Town of....	4½	4¾	3,516 34	3,581 16
Woodstock, City of.....	4½	4.05	4,240 00	4,000 00
Windsor, City of	4	4½	3,867 97	4,083 89
Hamilton Masonic Hall Association Stock.		5	100 00	100 00
Toronto General Trusts Corporation Guarantee Agreement.....	45⅞	45⅞	5,000 00	5,000 00
			\$94,851 41	\$95,108 30

Balance in Canadian Bank of Commerce 31st

May, 1912. \$3,902 28

Less outstanding cheques..... 1,740 00

2,162 28\$97,270 58E. T. MALONE,
Grand Treasurer.

Correct.

HARRY VIGEON,
Chartered Accountant.

19th June, 1912.

1911—1912

**PAYMENTS BY THE GRAND TREASURER ON ACCOUNT
OF BENEVOLENCE—SEMI-CENTENNIAL BENEVO-
LENT FUND.**

June, 1911

20 Bro. S. A.\$30 00

Dec.

18 Bro. H. J. H. 25 00

Bro. R. T. P. 25 00

Wid. C. W. S. S. .. 25 00

Wid. J. C. 25 00

Bro. E. H. B. H. .. 50 00

Wid. T. McL. L. .. 20 00

Wid. W. J. S. 20 00

Wid. J. E. M. 20 00

Bro. J. A. 20 00

Bro. J. O. H. 25 00

Wid. G. S. 10 00

Bro. W. J. K. 50 00

Bro. A. E. B. 40 00

Wid. W. E. H. 20 00

Bro. M. G. R. 25 00

Wid. J. J. M. 25 00

Wid. A. R. P. 15 00

Wid. C. N. 10 00

Wid. W. T. W. 15 00

Wid. C. W. M. 20 00

Bro. J. A. C. 50 00

Bro. F. J. 25 00

Wid. J. L. R. 25 00

Wid. T. McK. 25 00

Wid. S. N. C. 25 00

Dau. J. C. 25 00

Bro. J. F. 25 00

Wid. L. R. 25 00

Bro. A. W. D. 75 00

Wid. J. E. H. 20 00

Bro. F. McM. 75 00

Bro. J. K. 50 00

Wid. G. O. F. 20 00

Bro. J. E. R. 75 00

Bro. J. W. 25 00

Wid. J. F. 50 00

Wid. J. R. 25 00

Wid. J. McC. 20 00

Wid. J. P. 20 00

Wid. J. A. 25 00

Bro. A. B. 25 00

Bro. W. H. L. 50 00

Bro. E. W. T. 25 00

Bro. W. J. N. 50 00

Bro. R. V. 50 00

Bro. F. P. 50 00

Bro. J. B. 75 00

Dec., 1911

18 Bro. G. R. McL. ..\$50 00

Bro. T. P. 50 00

Wid. W. B. 25 00

Bro. J. C. M. 25 00

Orphans W. H. W. 20 00

Wid. W. F. 50 00

Wife H. A. 25 00

Wid. G. H. L. 25 00

Bro. T. K. 25 00

Bro. R. T. P. 50 00

Bro. G. P. 25 00

Bro. W. H. W. 25 00

Wid. T. G. 25 00

Wid. S. B. 25 00

Wid. J. M. 25 00

Wid. F. R. 25 00

Wid. T. H. 25 00

Wid. R. A. 25 00

Mrs. W. E. J. 25 00

Mrs. J. A. 25 00

Mrs. P. C. 25 00

Mrs. F. L. H. 20 00

Bro. W. A. K. 25 00

Bro. J. W. G. 75 00

March, 1912

3 Mrs. R. S. 50 00

7 Mrs. J. G. S. 50 00

May

20 Bro. R. T. P. 25 00

Mrs. C. W. S. 25 00

Mrs. J. C. 25 00

Bro. E. H. B. 50 00

Mrs. T. McL. 20 00

Mrs. W. J. S. 20 00

Mrs. J. E. M. 20 00

Mrs. J. A. 20 00

Bro. H. O. H. 25 00

Mrs. G. S. 10 00

Bro. W. J. K. 50 00

Bro. A. E. B. 40 00

Mrs. W. E. H. 20 00

Bro. M. J. R. 25 00

Mrs. J. J. M. 25 00

Mrs. A. R. P. 15 00

Mrs. C. R. N. 10 00

Mrs. W. T. W. 15 00

Mrs. C. W. M. 20 00

Bro. J. A. C. 50 00

Bro. F. J. 25 00

May				May	
20	Mrs. J. L. R.	\$25	00	20	Bro. T. P. \$50 00
	Mrs. T. McK.	25	00		Mrs. W. R. 25 00
	Mrs. S. N. C.	25	00		Bro. J. C. M. 25 00
	Miss A. C.	25	00		Orphans W. H. M... 20 00
	Mrs. L. R.	25	00		Mrs. W. F. 50 00
	Bro. W. A. D.	75	00		Mrs. H. A. 25 00
	Mrs. J. H.	20	00		Mrs. G. H. L. 25 00
	Bro. F. McM.	75	00		Bro. T. K. 25 00
	Bro. J. K.	50	00		Bro. R. T. P. 50 00
	Mrs. G. O. F.	20	00		Bro. G. P. 25 00
	Bro. J. E. R.	75	00		Bro. W. H. W. 25 00
	Mrs. J. W.	25	00	May	
	Mrs. J. F.	50	00	20	Mrs. T. G. 25 00
	Mrs. J. R.	25	00		Bro. S. B. 25 00
	Mrs. J. McC.	20	00		Bro. J. M. 25 00
	Mrs. J. P.	20	00		Bro. F. R. 25 00
	Mrs. J. A.	25	00		Bro. T. H. 25 00
	Bro. J. B.	25	00		Bro. R. A. 25 00
	Bro. W. H. L.	50	00		Mrs. W. E. J. 25 00
	Bro. E. W. T.	25	00		Miss L. A. 25 00
	Bro. H. J. N.	50	00		Mrs. P. C. 25 00
	Bro. R. V.	50	00		Mrs. F. L. H. 20 00
	Bro. F. P.	50	00		Bro. W. A. K. 25 00
	Bro. J. B.	75	00		
	Bro. G. R. McL. ..	50	00		
					\$4,515 00

GRAND SECRETARY'S REPORT

*To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Canada, in
the Province of Ontario :*

M.W. SIR AND BRETHREN :

I beg leave to present my annual report, containing an account of all moneys received by me, and paid to the Grand Treasurer, during the year ending 31st of May, 1912, and including the following statements. viz.:

A Summary of Receipts from various sources on General Account; Details of Receipts on General Account; Details of Payments thereof to the Grand Treasurer; a Summary of Expenditure for the year; Details of the Returns of Lodges as at the 24th June, 1912, and Details of the Ledger Balances as at the 31st May, 1912; a Summary of Receipts and Payments to the Grand Treasurer on Account of the Semi-Centennial Benevolent Fund; a Statement of the amount contributed to the Fund by Lodges, and from other sources, showing the details of receipts on Capital Account for the year,

and the aggregates from each Lodge from the commencement of the Fund to the 31st of May, 1912, and the quota of each Lodge; and a Statement of the Receipts and Disbursements for the year on the S. C. B. Fund Revenue Account. Also a record of dispensations issued, by-laws and amendments thereto approved, and other official acts of the M.W. the Grand Master.

GENERAL ACCOUNT

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS

Fees, registration of initiations.....	\$ 9,632 00
Fees, registration of affiliations.....	280 00
Dues	23,292 75
Certificates	205 00
Constitutions and Ceremonies.....	988 67
Dispensations	519 00
Commutation of Dues.....	1,350 00
Warrants	30 00
Miscellaneous	709 60
Ballot Boxes	1,018 00
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	\$38,025 02

Interest on Debentures and Bank Account:

Landed Banking & Loan Co.	\$ 443 75
Toronto General Trusts Corporation.....	508 74
Town of Berlin.....	305 49
Town of Berlin.....	276 15
City of Brandon.....	557 50
City of Brantford.....	320 00
Town of Brockville.....	120 00
Town of Brockville.....	360 29
City of Hamilton.....	120 00
Town of Kincardine.....	25 00
City of New Westminster.....	500 00
City of Peterborough.....	230 46
City of Port Arthur.....	50 00
City of St. Thomas.....	485 95
City of St. Thomas.....	267 56
City of Strathcona.....	225 82
City of Toronto.....	170 32
Bank Account	183 33
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	\$ 5,150 36
Total Revenue General Account.....	\$43,175 38
Debentures matured and paid:	
Town of Berlin.....	\$ 639 81
Town of Brockville.....	375 53
City of Brantford.....	3,000 00
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	\$ 4,015 34
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	\$47,190 72

GENERAL ACCOUNT.

1911 PAYMENTS TO GRAND TREASURER.

June	10	Deposit	\$	557	97	
	27	"	.....		963	85	
	30	"	.....		2,360	83	
							\$ 3,882 65
July	5	Deposit	.....	\$	3,225	98	
	7	"	.....		1,970	75	
	11	"	.....		3,840	05	
	12	"	.....		1,558	41	
	15	"	.....		814	25	
	25	"	.....		1,846	00	
	31	"	.....		609	55	
							\$13,864 99
Aug.	18	Deposit	.....	\$	588	00	
	25	"	.....		276	20	
							\$ 864 20
Sept.	2	Deposit	.....	\$	264	00	
	22	"	.....		1,185	57	
	30	"	.....		180	75	
							\$ 1,630 32
Oct.	4	Deposit	.....	\$	472	75	
	15	"	.....		517	80	
	31	"	.....		464	50	
							\$ 1,455 05
Nov.	6	Deposit	.....	\$	588	75	
	16	"	.....		456	60	
	29	"	.....		121	77	
	30	"	.....		188	30	
	30	"	.....		945	30	
							\$ 2,300 72
Dec.	7	Deposit	.....	\$	359	12	
	30	"	.....		1,708	78	
							\$ 2,067 90
1912							
Jan.	5	Deposit	.....	\$	2,599	10	
	12	"	.....		2,415	00	
	12	"	.....		3,640	57	
	15	"	.....		1,398	25	
	22	"	.....		1,156	10	
	27	"	.....		1,454	45	
	31	"	.....		438	00	
							\$13,101 47
Feb.	6	Deposit	.....	\$	768	70	
	13	"	.....		809	25	
	24	"	.....		898	15	
	29	"	.....		528	80	
							\$ 3,004 90
Mar.	16	Deposit	.....	\$	680	99	
	30	"	.....		1,196	55	
							\$ 1,877 54

Apr.	13	Deposit	.....	\$	687	55	
	15	"	.....		242	75	
	30	"	.....		1,138	46	
							\$ 2,068 76
May	10	Deposit	.....	\$	490	00	
	23	"	.....		350	41	
	31	"	.....		61	56	
	31	"	.....		170	25	
							\$ 1,072 22
							\$47,190 72

*Abstract of Receipts of Grand Lodge on General Account
Year ending May 31st, 1912*

2	Niagara, Niagara	\$ 79 25
3	Ancient St. John's, Kingston...	158 25
5	Sussex, Brockville	173 75
6	Barton, Hamilton	254 75
7	Union, Grimsby	168 00
9	Union, Napanee	102 00
10	Norfolk, Simcoe	80 25
11	Moir, Belleville	209 25
14	True Britons, Perth.....	44 75
15	St. George's, St. Catharines....	68 90
16	St. Andrew's, Toronto.....	436 00
17	St. John's, Cobourg.....	136 00
18	Prince Edward, Picton.....	140 25
20	St. John's London.....	163 25
21a	St. John's, Vankleek Hill.....	62 50
22	King Solomon's, Toronto.....	193 50
23	Richmond, Richmond Hill.....	30 75
24	St. Francis, Smith's Falls.....	114 00
25	Ionic, Toronto	137 50
26	Ontario, Port Hope.....	115 37
27	Strict Observance, Hamilton....	237 75
28	Mount Zion, Kemptville.....	57 85
29	United, Brighton	77 85
30	Composite, Whitby	51 75
31	Jerusalem, Bowmanville	89 80
32	Amity, Dunnville	120 00
33	Maitland, Goderich	121 25
34	Thistle, Amherstburg	72 50
35	St. John's, Cayuga.....	62 75
37	King Hiram, Ingersoll.....	96 25
38	Trent, Trenton	81 65
39	Mount Zion, Brooklin.....	44 00
40	St. John's, Hamilton.....	304 25
41	St. George's, Kingsville.....	87 25
42	St. George's, London.....	118 75
43	King Solomon's, Woodstock.....	197 25
44	St. Thomas, St. Thomas.....	242 00
45	Brant, Brantford	201 00
46	Wellington, Chatham	153 75
47	Great Western, Windsor.....	279 55
48	Madoc, Madoc	73 50
50	Consecon, Consecon	30 00
52	Dalhousie, Ottawa	320 50
54	Vaughan, Maple	30 50
55	Merrickville, Merrickville	53 50
56	Victoria, Sarnia	135 00
57	Harmony, Binbrook	61 50
58	Doric, Ottawa	123 50
61	Acacia, Hamilton	280 25
62	St. Andrew's, Caledonia.....	72 70

63	St. John's, Carleton Place.....	118 50
64	Kilwinning, London	175 25
65	Rehoboam, Toronto	280 00
66	Durham, Newcastle	38 00
68	St. John's, Ingersoll.....	77 75
69	Stirling, Stirling	75 25
72	Alma, Galt	55 00
73	St. James', St. Mary's.....	64 00
74	St. James', S. Augusta.....	53 50
75	St. John's, Toronto.....	137 75
76	Oxford, Woodstock	150 25
77	Faithful Brethren, Lindsay.....	153 00
78	King Hiram, Tillsonburg.....	100 25
79	Simcoe, Bradford	55 25
81	St. John's, Mount Brydges.....	47 00
82	St. John's, Paris.....	79 75
83	Beaver, Strathroy	87 00
84	Clinton, Clinton	54 50
85	Rising Sun, Athens.....	42 00
86	Wilson, Toronto	203 75
87	Markham Union, Markham.....	79 20
88	St. George's, Owen Sound.....	126 25
90	Manito, Collingwood	84 00
91	Colborne, Colborne	65 50
92	Cataraqui, Kingston	209 50
93	Northern Light, Kincardine.....	73 00
94	St. Mark's, Port Stanley.....	38 75
96	Corinthian, Barrie	119 00
97	Sharon, Queensville	62 75
98	True Blue, Bolton.....	44 75
99	Tuscan, Newmarket	27 00
100	Valley, Dundas	117 65
101	Corinthian, Peterborough	120 00
103	Maple Leaf, St. Catharines.....	160 50
104	St. John's, Norwich.....	68 75
105	St. Mark's, Niagara Falls.....	101 50
106	Burford, Burford	50 00
107	St. Paul's, Lambeth.....	24 75
108	Blenheim, Princeton	37 50
109	Albion, Harrowsmith	54 25
110	Central, Prescott	85 75
113	Wilson, Waterford	82 25
114	Hope, Port Hope.....	109 00
115	Ivy, Beamsville	80 75
116	Cassia, Thedford	31 00
118	Union, Schomberg	55 50
119	Maple Leaf, Bath.....	49 50
120	Warren, Fingal	40 00
121	Doric, Brantford	290 00
122	Renfrew, Renfrew	97 00
123	Belleville, Belleville	168 25
125	Cornwall, Cornwall	81 75
126	Golden Rule, Campbellford.....	63 75
127	Franek, Frankford	71 25
128	Pembroke, Pembroke	105 75
129	Rising Sun, Aurora.....	128 90

131	St. Lawrence, Southampton.....	55 50
133	Lebanon Forest, Exeter.....	74 00
135	St. Clair, Milton.....	77 00
136	Richardson, Stouffville	56 25
137	Pythagoras, Meaford	73 50
139	Lebanon, Oshawa	100 00
140	Malahide, Aylmer	84 75
141	Tudor, Mitchell	87 00
142	Excelsior, Morrisburg	53 75
143	Friendly Brothers, Iroquois.....	80 25
144	Tecumseh, Stratford	185 15
145	J. B. Hall, Millbrook.....	28 00
146	Prince of Wales, Newburgh.....	49 00
147	Mississippi, Almonte	66 85
148	Civil Service, Ottawa	153 75
149	Erie, Port Dover.....	28 75
151	Grand River, Berlin.....	131 50
153	Burns, Wyoming	82 50
154	Irving, Lucan	114 70
155	Peterborough, Peterborough	143 50
156	York, North Toronto.....	154 25
157	Simpson, Newboro	57 25
158	Alexandra, Oil Springs.....	44 25
159	Goodwood, Richmond	56 50
161	Percy, Warkworth	59 50
162	Forest, Wroxeter	42 00
164	Star in the East, Wellington....	93 50
165	Burlington, Burlington	106 50
166	Wentworth, Stoney Creek.....	81 50
168	Merriitt, Welland	93 75
169	Macnab, Port Colborne.....	57 50
170	Britannia, Seaforth	88 50
171	Prince of Wales, Lawrence Station	59 00
172	Ayr, Ayr	32 00
174	Walsingham, Port Rowan.....	66 50
177	The Builders, Ottawa.....	266 50
178	Plattsville, Plattsville	33 00
180	Speed, Guelph	114 75
181	Oriental, Port Burwell.....	24 00
184	Old Light, Lucknow.....	87 75
185	Enniskillen, York	29 00
186	Plantagenet, Plantagenet	50 45
190	Belmont, Belmont	56 50
192	Orillia, Orillia	157 25
193	Scotland, Scotland	60 00
194	Petrolia, Petrolia	120 75
195	Tuscan, London	77 50
196	Madawaska, Arnprior	66 00
197	Saugeen, Walkerton	34 75
200	St. Alban's, Mount Forest.....	55 75
201	Leeds, Gananoque	138 00
203	Irvine, Elora	68 75
205	New Dominion, New Hamburg...	29 75
207	Lancaster, Lancaster	83 00
209a	St. John's, London	215 00
209	Evergreen, Lanark	45 25

212	Elysian, Garden Island.....	17 50
215	Lake, Ameliasburg	41 75
216	Harris, Orangeville	99 00
217	Frederick, Delhi	42 50
218	Stevenson, Toronto	217 75
219	Credit, Georgetown	62 75
220	Zeredatha, Uxbridge	61 90
221	Mountain, Thorold	94 00
222	Marmora, Marmora	63 50
223	Norwood, Norwood	77 75
224	Zurich, Hensall	51 00
225	Bernard, Listowel	75 25
228	Prince Arthur, Odessa.....	54 00
229	Ionie, Brampton	87 50
230	Kerr, Barrie	93 50
231	Fidelity, Ottawa	174 50
232	Cameron, Dutton	57 00
233	Doric, Parkhill	48 00
234	Beaver, Clarksburg	62 80
235	Aldworth, Paisley	34 50
236	Manitoba, Cookstown	47 90
237	Vienna, Vienna	39 25
238	Havelock, Watford	72 50
239	Tweed, Tweed	80 00
242	Macoy, Mallorytown	49 75
243	St. George, St. George.....	71 00
245	Tecumseh, Thamesville	49 25
247	Ashlar, Toronto	202 25
249	Caledonia, Midland	149 00
250	Thistle, Embro	31 25
253	Minden, Kingston	91 25
254	Clifton, Niagara Falls.....	132 25
255	Sydenham, Dresden	37 75
256	Farran's Point, Aultsville.....	50 25
257	Galt, Galt	132 25
258	Guelph, Guelph	82 00
259	Springfield, Springfield	33 50
260	Washington, Petrolia	77 25
261	Oak Branch, Innerkip.....	42 25
262	Harriston, Harriston	68 25
263	Forest, Forest	50 50
264	Chaudiere, Ottawa	261 25
265	Patterson, Thornhill	39 00
266	Northern Light, Stayner.....	25 50
267	Parthenon, Chatham	187 00
268	Verulam, Bobcaygeon	55 75
269	Brougham Union, Claremont....	31 10
270	Cedar, Oshawa	97 00
271	Wellington, Erin	53 35
272	Seymour, Ancaster	94 50
274	Kent, Blenheim	88 25
276	Teeswater, Teeswater	41 25
277	Seymour, Port Dalhousie.....	65 75
279	New Hope, Hespeler.....	66 00
282	Lorne, Glencoe	95 75

283	Eureka, Belleville	70 75
284	St. John's, Brussels.....	54 85
285	Seven Star, Alliston.....	71 50
286	Wingham, Wingham	56 00
287	Shuniah, Port Arthur.....	224 25
289	Doric, Lobo	60 00
290	Leamington, Leamington	90 00
291	Dufferin, West Flamboro.....	74 50
292	Robertson, King	40 75
294	Moore, Courtright	42 25
295	Conestogo, Drayton	60 50
296	Temple, St. Catharines.....	80 00
297	Preston, Preston	50 50
299	Victoria, Centreville	30 75
300	Mount Olivet, Thorndale.....	28 00
302	St. David's, St. Thomas.....	207 25
303	Blyth, Blyth	90 25
304	Minerva, Stroud	62 75
305	Humber, Weston	62 75
306	Durham, Durham	43 50
307	Arkona, Arkona	31 25
309	Morning Star, Carlow.....	46 50
311	Blackwood, Woodbridge	39 00
312	Pnyx, Wallaceburg	54 50
313	Clementi, Lakefield	92 25
314	Blair, Palmerston	59 25
315	Clifford, Clifford	48 50
316	Doric, Toronto	351 75
318	Wilmot, Baden	27 25
319	Hiram, Hagersville	69 50
320	Chesterville, Chesterville	60 00
321	Walker, Acton	58 00
322	North Star, Owen Sound.....	153 00
323	Alvinston, Alvinston	40 25
324	Temple, Hamilton	301 50
325	Orono, Orono	37 00
326	Zetland, Toronto	265 25
327	Hammond, Wardsville	1 00
328	Ionic, Napier	46 50
329	King Solomon, Jarvis	35 75
330	Corinthian, London	141 95
331	Fordwich, Fordwich	37 25
332	Stratford, Stratford	101 25
333	Prince Arthur, Flesherton	40 25
334	Prince Arthur, Arthur.....	51 00
336	Highgate, Highgate .....	.....
337	Myrtle, Port Robinson.....	33 00
338	Dufferin, Wellandport	105 00
339	Orient, Toronto	226 60
341	Bruce, Tiverton	90 25
343	Georgina, Toronto	207 25
344	Merrill, Dorchester Station.....	37 75
345	Nilestown, Nilestown	63 00
346	Occident, Toronto	273 25
347	Mercer, Fergus	60 25

348	Georgian, Penetanguishene	50 75
352	Granite, Parry Sound.....	92 25
354	Brock, Cannington	62 00
356	River Park, Streetsville.....	70 25
357	Waterdown, Millgrove	92 00
358	Delaware Valley, Delaware.....	55 25
359	Vittoria, Vittoria	46 25
360	Muskoka, Bracebridge	55 00
361	Waverley, Guelph	82 50
362	Maple Leaf, Tara.....	51 75
364	Dufferin, Melbourne .....	.....
367	St. George, Toronto.....	279 25
368	Salem, Brockville	115 50
369	Mimico, Lambton Mills.....	98 00
370	Harmony, Delta	56 00
371	Prince of Wales, Ottawa.....	156 25
372	Palmer, Bridgeburg	77 75
373	Copestone, Welland	124 75
374	Keene, Keene	21 00
375	Lorne, Omemee	52 00
376	Unity, Huntsville	80 95
377	Lorne, Shelburne	52 00
378	King Solomon's, London.....	149 75
379	Middlesex, Bryanston	49 00
380	Union, London	159 00
382	Doric, Hamilton	287 00
383	Henderson, Winchester	74 80
384	Alpha, Toronto	339 00
385	Spry, Beeton	61 00
386	McColl, West Lorne.....	57 75
387	Lansdowne, Lansdowne	37 00
388	Henderson, Ilderton	50 25
389	Crystal Fountain, N. Augusta...	49 50
390	Florence, Florence	31 25
391	Howard, Ridgetown	64 50
392	Huron, Camlachie	43 00
393	Forest, Chesley	41 75
394	King Solomon, Thamesford.....	68 00
395	Parvaim, Comber	52 50
396	Cedar, Wiarton	92 00
397	Leopold, Brigden	37 75
398	Victoria, Kirkfield	36 50
399	Moffat, Harrietsville	29 25
400	Oakville, Oakville	85 75
401	Craig, Deseronto	86 50
402	Central, Essex	58 25
403	Windsor, Windsor	243 25
404	Lorne, Tamworth	47 00
405	Mattawa, Mattawa	111 05
406	Spry, Fenelon Falls.....	54 45
408	Murray, Beaverton .....	.....
409	Golden Rule, Gravenhurst.....	69 00
410	Zeta, Toronto	251 00
411	Rodney, Rodney	42 00
412	Keystone, Sault Ste. Marie.....	279 80

413	Naphtali, Tilbury	59	50
414	Pequonga, Kenora	121	25
415	Fort William, Fort William.....	204	00
416	Lyn, Lyn	26	50
417	Keewatin, Keewatin	64	25
418	Maxville, Maxville	66	75
419	Bismarck, Point Edward.....	50	25
420	Nipissing, North Bay.....	145	25
421	Scott, Grand Valley.....	46	50
422	Star of the East, Bothwell.....	74	35
423	Strong, Sundridge	52	50
424	Doric, Pickering	33	25
425	St. Clair, Sombra.....	101	75
426	Stanley, Toronto	249	00
427	Nickel, Sudbury	169	25
428	Fidelity, Port Perry.....	79	75
429	Port Elgin, Port Elgin.....	61	25
430	Acacia, Toronto	133	50
431	Moravian, Cargill	25	00
432	Hanover, Hanover	52	00
433	Bonnechere, Eganville	55	50
434	Algonquin, Emsdale	63	00
435	Havelock, Havelock	112	00
436	Burns, Hepworth	34	75
437	Tuscan, Sarnia	121	50
438	Harmony, Toronto	295	50
439	Alexandria, Alexandria	38	25
440	Arcadia, Minden	46	25
441	Westport, Westport	34	50
442	Dymont, Thessalon	86	25
443	Powassan, Powassan	72	00
444	Nitetis, Creemore	63	95
445	Lake of the Woods, Kenora.....	72	50
446	Granite, Fort Frances.....	52	50
447	Sturgeon Falls, Sturgeon Falls..	82	50
448	Xenophon, Wheatley	36	50
449	Dundalk, Dundalk	39	75
450	Hawkesbury, Hawkesbury	57	50
451	Somerville, Kinmount	27	75
452	Avonmore, Avonmore	76	75
453	Royal, Fort William.....	98	25
454	Corona, Burk's Falls.....	40	45
455	Doric, Little Current.....	50	50
456	Elma, Monkton	40	75
457	Century, Merlin	1	00
458	Wales, Wales	83	75
459	Cobden, Cobden	80	50
460	Rideau, Seeley's Bay.....	45	25
461	Ionie, Rainy River.....	72	25
462	Temiscaming, New Liskeard.....	142	20
463	North Entrance, Haliburton.....	27	75
464	King Edward, Sunderland.....	62	00
465	Carleton, Carp	49	00
466	Coronation, Elmvale	51	75
467	Tottenham, Tottenham .....	.....	.....

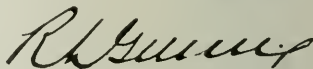
468	Peel, Caledon East.....	47 25
469	Algoma, Sault Ste. Marie.....	99 75
470	Victoria, Victoria Harbor.....	65 55
471	King Edward VII., Chippawa...	35 00
472	Gore Bay, Gore Bay.....	72 00
473	The Beaches, Toronto.....	134 50
474	Victoria, Toronto	189 00
475	Dundurn, Hamilton	126 50
476	Corinthian, North Gower.....	40 25
477	Harding, Woodville	45 00
478	Milverton, Milverton	33 25
479	Russell, Russell	74 50
480	Williamsburg, Williamsburg	28 50
481	Corinthian, Toronto	69 00
482	Bancroft, Bancroft	69 25
483	Granton, Granton	26 75
484	Golden Star, Dryden.....	78 50
485	Haileybury, Haileybury	125 00
486	Silver, Cobalt	179 00
487	Penewobikong, Blind River.....	77 75
488	King Edward, Harrow.....	55 25
489	Osiris, Smith's Falls.....	55 50
490	Hiram, Markdale	23 00
491	Cardinal, Cardinal	51 25
492	Karnak, Coldwater	26 00
493	St. Mary's, St. Mary's.....	18 00
494	Riverdale, Toronto	184 75
495	Electric, Hamilton	137 00
496	University, Toronto	92 25
497	St. Andrew's, Arden.....	44 30
498	King George V., Cobocok.....	50 25
U.D.	Port Arthur, Port Arthur.....	52 50
U.D.	Rose, Windsor	21 50
U.D.	Connaught, Mimico .....	.....
U.D.	Coronation, Smithville	27 50
U.D.	Inwood, Inwood	23 75
U.D.	Otter, Lombardy	20 00
U.D.	Lynden, Lynden .....	.....

Total receipts from Lodges.....	\$37,265 37
Sundries	759 65
Interest	5,150 36
Debentures redeemed	4,015 34

\$47,190 72

ABSTRACT OF EXPENDITURE**Year Ended May 31st, 1912.**

Salary of Grand Treasurer, E. T. Malone, to 31st March, 1912	\$ 200 00
Salary of Grand Secretary, R. L. Gunn, to 31st March, 1912	3,000 00
Salary of Auditor, H. Vigeon, to 31st March, 1912..	300 00
J. P. Muir, former chief clerk, superannuation to May 31st, 1912.....	800 00
Thomas Pedler, chief clerk, salary to May 31st, 1912	1,000 00
J. Place, stenographer, salary to May 31st, 1912..	720 00
F. J. Brown, clerk, salary to May 31st, 1912.....	600 00
Incidental expenses, Grand Secretary's Office.....	900 00
Printing and stationery.....	2,629 13
Certificates and warrants.....	1,035 10
Telephone service	63 50
Insurance on furniture, books, regalia and bond of Grand Secretary	90 50
Safety deposit box rental, Toronto General Trusts Corporation	25 00
Office rent, Hamilton Masonic Hall Association....	460 00
Portraits	13 33
Ballot boxes	412 75
Repairs to regalia.....	6 00
Postage on Proceedings.....	229 50
Postage of Chairmen of Committees.....	15 00
Expenses of Grand Lodge and Board of General Purposes at St. Catharines.....	1,376 35
Expenses of Commissions.....	58 72
Expenses of delegations and ceremonies.....	120 75
Masonic Relief Association, membership fee.....	241 97
Inspection of Benevolent Grants.....	1,200 00
Chairman of Committee on Foreign Correspondence, A. T. Freed.....	150 00
Balance of travelling expenses of M. W. Bro. D. F. Macwatt, G.M.	392 39
Travelling expenses, M.W. Bro. Aubrey White, G.M.	1,000 00
Stenographer for Grand Master.....	100 00
Testimonial to M. W. Bro. D. F. Macwatt, P.G.M..	500 00
Accrued interest, County of Oxford debentures....	13 25
Accrued interest, City of Brandon debentures.....	15 56
Accrued interest, City of Stratford debentures.....	1 85
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	\$17,670 65
Grants for Benevolence.....	27,322 50
Grant for relief of sufferers by recent fires in Northern Ontario	1,000 00
Investments	4,710 59
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	\$50,703 74
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Grand Secretary.

SEMI-CENTENNIAL BENEVOLENT FUND**Summary of Receipts on Capital Account**

Contributions from lodges, per detailed statement annexed	\$ 6,545 31
Debenture matured, Town of Berlin.....	48 78
Debentures matured, City of Ottawa.....	10,000 00

Summary of Receipts on Revenue Account

Interest on investments and bank account, per detailed statement annexed.....	\$ 4,265 81
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\$20,859 90

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Payments to Grand Treasurer

June 9	Deposit	\$ 599 43	
15	"	604 75	
24	"	540 00	
30	"	585 17	
		<hr/>	\$ 2,329 35
July 7	Deposit	\$ 639 00	
13	"	506 00	
26	"	537 66	
31	"	3 00	
		<hr/>	\$ 1,685 66
Aug. 26	Deposit	\$ 214 04	
		<hr/>	\$ 214 04
Sept. 2	Deposit	\$ 44 00	
22	"	10,320 00	
30	"	189 00	
		<hr/>	\$10,553 00
Oct. 18	Deposit	\$ 214 50	
31	"	24 00	
		<hr/>	\$ 238 50
Nov. 17	Deposit	\$ 212 50	
30	"	401 78	
30	"	60 07	
		<hr/>	\$ 674 35
Dec. 7	Deposit	\$ 1,017 74	
30	"	445 67	
		<hr/>	\$ 1,463 41
1912			
Jan. 12	Deposit	\$ 767 00	
12	"	161 15	
31	"	58 00	
		<hr/>	\$ 986 15
Feb. 29	Deposit	\$ 44 00	
		<hr/>	\$ 44 00
Mar. 16	Deposit	\$ 237 67	
30	"	363 00	
		<hr/>	\$ 600 67
Apr. 18	Deposit	\$ 165 00	
30	"	595 50	
		<hr/>	\$ 760 50
May 11	Deposit	\$ 620 50	
31	"	645 89	
31	"	43 88	
		<hr/>	\$ 1,310 27
		<hr/>	\$20,859 90

SEMI-CENTENNIAL BENEVOLENT FUND

Statement of Contributions received from Lodges to May 31, 1912

(Lodges marked with a star have contributed the full amount asked for, or more.)

No.	Name of Lodge	Location	Quota based on membership, G. L. Pro., 1904	Contributions for year ended May 31, 1912	Aggregate contributions to May 31, 1912
*2	Niagara	Niagara .. .	\$ 195 00	\$ 15 00	\$ 195 00
*3	Ancient St. John's..	Kingston	465 00	.....	465 00
*5	Sussex	Brockville ...	561 00	.....	561 00
*6	Barton	Hamilton	924 00	.....	1,105 80
*7	Union	Grimsby	222 00	.....	222 00
*9	Union	Napanee	309 00	82 00	309 00
*10	Norfolk	Simcoe	330 00	3 00	335 00
*11	Moirs	Belleville	513 00	.....	513 12
14	True Britons	Perth	273 00	24 00	34 00
*15	St. George's	St. Catharines	312 00	.....	312 00
*16	St. Andrew's	Toronto	930 00	.....	935 60
17	St. John's	Cobourg	255 00	108 00	216 00
*18	Prince Edward	Pictou	663 00	208 00	663 00
*20	St. John's	London	438 00	.....	446 47
21a	St. John's	Vankleek Hill	213 00	57 00	155 00
*22	King Solomon's	Toronto	693 00	.....	693 00
*23	Richmond	Richmond Hill	114 00	.....	114 00
*24	St. Francis	Smith's Falls..	390 00	.....	392 50
*25	Ionic	Toronto	735 00	.....	1,388 59
*26	Ontario	Port Hope....	330 00	.....	330 00
*27	Strict Observance ...	Hamilton	1,023 00	.....	1,041 15
28	Mount Zion	Kemptville ...	141 00	.....	117 00
*29	United	Brighton	303 00	.....	303 00
*30	Composite	Whitby	219 00	.....	233 00
*31	Jerusalem	Bowmanville .	228 00	.....	228 00
*32	Amity	Dunnville	282 00	147 00	282 00
*33	Maitland	Goderich	381 00	58 36	381 00
*34	Thistle	Amherstburg .	192 00	.....	192 00
*35	St. John's	Cayuga	186 00	.....	186 00
*37	King Hiram	Ingersoll	252 00	.....	263 00
*38	Trent	Trenton	270 00	.....	300 00
*39	Mount Zion	Brooklin	78 00	.....	78 00
*40	St. John's	Hamilton	1,143 00	.....	1,201 00
41	St. George's	Kingsville	297 00	74 00	191 50
*42	St. George's	London	261 00	.....	272 00
*43	King Solomon's	Woodstock ...	366 00	.....	384 50
*44	St. Thomas	St. Thomas....	597 00	12 00	654 00
*45	Brant	Brantford	531 00	.....	531 37
*46	Wellington	Chatham	483 00	7 50	490 50
*47	Great Western	Windsor	726 00	50 25	877 75
*48	Madoc	Madoc	321 00	211 00	321 00
*50	Consecon	Consecon	120 00	.....	120 00
*52	Dalhousie	Ottawa	456 00	.....	628 00
*54	Vaughan	Maple	114 00	.....	114 00

SEMI-CENTENNIAL BENEVOLENT FUND—Continued

No.	Name of Lodge	Location	Quota based on member- ship, G. L. Pro., 1904	Contribu- tions for year ended May 31, 1912	Aggregate contribu- tions to May 31, 1912
55	Merrickville	Merrickville ..	237 00	24 50	152 00
*56	Victoria	Sarnia	537 00	23 00	581 00
*57	Harmony	Binbrook	168 00	.....	168 00
*58	Doric	Ottawa	348 00	.....	418 00
*61	Acacia	Hamilton	939 00	.....	1,120 05
*62	St. Andrew's	Caledonia	138 00	.....	155 00
*63	St. John's	Carleton Place	450 00	.....	451 00
64	Kilwinning	London	552 00	118 00	331 00
*65	Rehoboam	Toronto	819 00	.....	841 00
*66	Durham	Newcastle	60 00	.....	60 00
*68	St. John's	Ingersoll	243 00	.....	249 00
69	Stirling	Stirling	201 00	55 50	185 00
*72	Alma	Galt	363 00	.....	363 00
73	St. James'	St. Mary's....	231 00	50 00	149 00
*74	St. James'	South Augusta	165 00	.....	165 00
*75	St. John's	Toronto	618 00	.....	618 00
*76	Oxford	Woodstock	405 00	.....	405 00
*77	Faithful Brethren ..	Lindsay	351 00	9 00	391 00
*78	King Hiram	Tillsonburg ..	399 00	84 00	399 00
79	Simcoe	Bradford	201 00	.....	29 00
*81	St. John's	Mt. Brydges...	177 00	.....	177 00
*82	St. John's	Paris	186 00	.....	186 00
83	Beaver	Strathroy	279 00	.....	175 00
84	Clinton	Clinton	204 00	108 50	141 50
*85	Rising Sun	Athens	180 00	130 00	180 00
*86	Wilson	Toronto	603 00	.....	660 00
*87	Markham Union	Markham	141 00	.....	141 00
*88	St. George's	Owen Sound..	405 00	.....	405 00
90	Manito	Collingwood ..	465 00	104 00	402 00
*91	Colborne	Colborne	246 00	.....	271 00
*92	Cataraqui	Kingston	438 00	.....	438 00
*93	Northern Light	Kincardine	258 00	.....	258 00
*94	St. Mark's	Port Stanley..	132 00	.....	159 20
*96	Corinthian	Barrie	510 00	.....	510 00
*97	Sharon	Queensville ..	159 00	18 00	160 50
*98	True Blue	Bolton	183 00	126 50	183 00
*99	Tuscan	Newmarket ..	204 00	104 00	204 00
100	Valley	Dundas	294 00	.....	326 00
101	Corinthian	Peterborough..	363 00	.....	363 00
103	Maple Leaf	St. Catharines	423 00	.....	423 00
104	St. John's	Norwich	231 00	.....	266 00
105	St. Mark's	Niagara Falls..	258 00	.....	267 75
106	Burford	Burford	213 00	.....	57 00
107	St. Paul's	Lambeth	204 00	100 00	204 00
108	Blenheim	Princeton	87 00	.....	87 00
109	Albion	Harrowsmith .	198 00	.....	198 00
110	Central	Prescott	312 00	.....	312 00
113	Wilson	Waterford	303 00	.....	331 50
114	Hope	Port Hope....	288 00	100 17	288 00

SEMI-CENTENNIAL BENEVOLENT FUND—Continued

No.	Name of Lodge	Location	Quota based on member- ship, G. L. Pro., 1904	Contribu- tions for year ended May 31, 1912	Aggregate contribu- tions to May 31, 1912
115	Ivy	Beamsville ...	267 00	100 00	162 25
116	Cassia	Thedford	111 00	15 50	99 50
*118	Union	Schomberg ...	57 00	.....	90 00
*119	Maple Leaf	Bath	123 00	5 00	163 00
120	Warren	Fingal	150 00	65 00	149 50
*121	Doric	Brantford ...	735 00	.....	1,027 00
*122	Renfrew	Renfrew	351 00	.....	351 00
*123	Belleville	Belleville	435 00	.....	435 00
125	Cornwall	Cornwall	303 00	.....	229 00
*126	Golden Rule	Campbellford..	123 00	18 00	153 00
*127	Franck	Frankford	261 00	6 00	273 00
*128	Pembroke	Pembroke	426 00	.....	539 00
*129	Rising Sun	Aurora	198 00	.....	198 00
*131	St. Lawrence	Shamhampton..	195 00	.....	195 00
*133	Lebanon Forest	Exeter	249 00	.....	249 00
135	St. Clair	Milton	228 00	.....	96 00
*136	Richardson	Stouffville	159 00	17 00	159 00
*137	Pythagoras	Meaford	273 00	.....	279 00
*139	Lebanon	Oshawa	204 00	.....	204 00
*140	Malahide	Aylmer	315 00	.....	315 00
*141	Tudor	Mitchell	135 00	.....	140 00
142	Excelsior	Morrisburg ...	201 00	.....	35 00
*143	Friendly Brothers ...	Iroquois	282 00	.....	282 00
*144	Tecumseh	Stratford	408 00	.....	408 00
*145	J. B. Hall.....	Millbrook	150 00	.....	150 00
*146	Prince of Wales....	Newburgh	138 00	.....	139 00
*147	Mississippi ..	Almonte	246 00	.....	246 00
*148	Civil Service	Ottawa	294 00	.....	295 00
*149	Erie	Port Dover....	171 00	54 00	171 00
*151	Grand River	Berlin	381 00	.....	381 00
153	Burns	Wyoming	258 00	.....	85 00
154	Irving	Lucan	231 00	19 50	119 50
*155	Peterborough ..	Peterborough..	549 00	.....	584 50
*156	York	North Toronto	291 00	126 00	291 00
*157	Simpson	Newboro'	195 00	85 00	195 00
158	Alexandra	Oil Springs...	183 00	.....	48 50
*159	Goodwood	Richmond	198 00	.....	198 00
*161	Percy	Warkworth ...	216 00	165 00	216 00
162	Forest	Wroxeter	114 00	35 00	55 00
*164	Star in the East....	Wellington ...	231 00	.....	231 00
*165	Burlington ..	Burlington ...	243 00	.....	243 00
*166	Wentworth ..	Stoney Creek..	303 00	.....	303 00
*168	Merritt	Welland	246 00	.....	246 00
*169	Maenab	Port Colborne.	183 00	.....	183 00
*170	Britannia	Seaforth	273 00	26 50	273 00
171	Prince of Wales....	Lawrence Sta.	141 00	131 00	140 50
*172	Ayr	Ayr	75 00	.....	75 00
*174	Walsingham ..	Port Rowan...	168 00	7 00	175 00
*177	Builders	Ottawa	483 00	.....	483 00

SEMI-CENTENNIAL BENEVOLENT FUND—Continued

No.	Name of Lodge	Location	Quota based on member- ship, G. L. Pro., 1904	Contribu- tions for year ended May 31, 1912	Aggregate contribu- tions to May 31, 1912
*178	Plattsville	Plattsville	117 00	62 00	117 00
*180	Speed	Guelph	219 00	.....	219 60
181	Oriental	Port Burwell..	99 00	27 00	51 00
*184	Old Light	Lucknow	246 00	.....	246 00
185	Enniskillen	York	87 00	.....	33 00
*186	Plantagenet ..	Plantagenet ..	117 00	.....	132 00
190	Belmont	Belmont	132 00	75 50	114 00
*192	Orillia	Orillia	405 00	.....	405 00
*193	Scotland	Scotland	195 00	.....	195 00
194	Petrolia	Petrolia	228 00	138 00	150 00
*195	Tuscan	London	228 00	.....	240 00
*196	Madawaska ..	Arnprior	291 00	.....	300 00
*197	Saugeen	Walkerton ...	165 00	.....	165 00
*200	St. Alban's	Mount Forest.	186 00	.....	186 00
*201	Leeds	Gananoque ...	375 00	.....	375 00
*203	Irving	Elora	159 00	.....	159 00
*205	New Dominion ..	New Hamburg	108 00	13 00	108 00
207	Lancaster	Lancaster	189 00	42 00	66 00
*209a	St. John's	London	732 00	.....	732 00
*209	Evergreen	Lanark	117 00	.....	117 50
*212	Elysian	Garden Island	57 00	.....	57 00
215	Lake	Ameliasburg ..	174 00	12 00	159 00
*216	Harris	Orangeville ..	426 00	.....	426 00
217	Frederick	Delhi	186 00	.....	55 50
*218	Stevenson	Toronto	555 00	10 00	577 00
*219	Credit	Georgetown ..	252 00	.....	252 00
*220	Zeredatha	Uxbridge	249 00	.....	249 00
*221	Mountain	Thorold	249 00	.....	262 00
*222	Marmora	Marmora	237 00	.....	237 00
*223	Norwood	Norwood	213 00	.....	213 00
*224	Zurich	Hensall	174 00	.....	174 00
*225	Bernard	Listowel	267 00	61 00	267 00
*228	Prince Arthur ..	Odessa	117 00	.....	119 00
*229	Ionic	Brampton	228 00	.....	228 00
230	Kerr	Barrie	309 00	.....	57 00
*231	Fidelity	Ottawa	399 00	.....	401 00
*232	Cameron	Dutton	183 00	85 00	183 00
233	Doric	Parkhill	150 00	50 00	97 00
*234	Beaver	Clarksburg ...	198 00	.....	198 00
235	Aldworth	Paisley	138 00	.....	88 00
*236	Manitoba	Cookstown ...	150 00	.....	154 00
*237	Vienna	Vienna	165 00	64 50	165 00
*238	Havelock	Watford	207 00	154 00	207 00
*239	Tweed	Tweed	201 00	.....	201 00
*242	Macoy	Mallorytown ..	213 00	.....	213 00
*243	St. George	St. George....	183 00	.....	183 00
*245	Tecumseh	Thamesville ..	174 00	.....	174 00
*247	Ashlar	Toronto	831 00	191 00	1,041 00
*249	Caledonian	Midland	369 00	.....	369 00

SEMI-CENTENNIAL BENEVOLENT FUND—Continued

No.	Name of Lodge	Location	Quota based on member- ship, G. L. Pro., 1904	Contribu- tions for year ended May 31, 1912	Aggregate contribu- tions to May 31, 1912
250	Thistle	Embro	78 00	3 00	45 00
*253	Minden	Kingston	246 00	.....	246 00
*254	Clifton	Niagara Falls.	384 00	.....	384 00
*255	Sydenham	Dresden	177 00	.....	177 00
256	Farran's Point	Aultsville	180 00	.....	45 00
*257	Galt	Galt	360 00	.....	361 00
*258	Guelph	Guelph	258 00	.....	261 00
*259	Springfield	Springfield	54 00	3 00	175 00
*260	Washington	Petrolia	258 00	.....	253 00
*261	Oak Branch	Innerkip	75 00	.....	75 00
262	Harriston	Harriston	261 00	55 00	87 00
*263	Forest	Forest	207 00	.....	207 00
*264	Chaudiere	Ottawa	357 00	9 66	380 66
*265	Patterson	Thornhill	132 00	.....	132 00
*266	Northern Light	Stayner	60 00	.....	67 00
*267	Parthenon	Chatham	282 00	.....	282 67
*268	Verulam	Bobcaygeon	105 00	.....	105 00
*269	Brougham Union	Claremont	147 00	118 00	147 00
*270	Cedar	Oshawa	207 00	.....	208 00
271	Wellington	Erin	144 00	.....	39 50
*272	Seymour	Ancaster	234 00	97 00	234 00
274	Kent	Blenheim	198 00	14 00	105 50
*276	Teeswater	Teeswater	78 00	.....	78 00
*277	Seymour	Port Dalhousie	129 00	.....	129 00
*279	New Hope	Hespeler	168 00	.....	168 00
*282	Lorne	Glencoe	165 00	.....	165 00
*283	Eureka	Belleville	201 00	.....	201 00
*284	St. John's	Brussels	174 00	.....	174 00
285	Seven Star	Alliston	189 00	.....	30 00
*286	Wingham	Wingham	246 00	.....	246 00
*287	Shuniah	Port Arthur...	381 00	.....	381 00
*289	Doric	Lobo	120 00	80 00	120 00
290	Leamington	Leamington	321 00	21 00	160 85
*291	Dufferin	W. Flamboro..	207 00	60 00	207 00
*292	Robertson	King	117 00	.....	117 00
*294	Moore	Courtright	99 00	.....	99 00
*295	Conestogo	Drayton	144 00	.....	144 00
*296	Temple	St. Catharines	174 00	.....	174 00
*297	Preston	Preston	135 00	.....	148 00
*299	Victoria	Centreville	96 00	.....	96 00
*300	Mount Olivet	Thorndale	96 00	.....	96 00
302	St. David's	St. Thomas...	555 00	75 00	432 00
*303	Blyth	Blyth	168 00	.....	168 00
*304	Minerva	Stroud	135 00	.....	135 00
*305	Humbar	Weston	183 00	.....	197 00
*306	Durham	Durham	147 00	.....	174 00
*307	Arkona	Arkona	111 00	.....	111 00
309	Morning Star	Carlow	150 00	.....	25 00
*311	Blackwood	Woodbridge	120 00	.....	120 00

SEMI-CENTENNIAL BENEVOLENT FUND—Continued

No.	Name of Lodge	Location	Quota based on member- ship, G. L. Pro., 1904	Contribu- tions for year ended May 31, 1912	Aggregate contribu- tions to May 31, 1912
*312	Pnyx	Wallaceburg ..	258 00	.....	258 00
*313	Clementi	Lakefield	183 00	.....	194 50
*314	Blair	Palmerston ..	159 00	.....	159 00
*315	Clifford ..	Clifford	84 00	.....	84 00
*316	Doric	Toronto	786 00	.....	810 03
*318	Wilmot	Baden	81 00	.....	81 00
*319	Hiram	Hagersville ..	108 00	58 00	108 00
320	Chesterville ..	Chesterville ..	255 00	131 00	179 00
*321	Walker	Acton	150 00	.....	150 00
*322	North Star	Owen Sound..	357 00	.....	363 00
323	Alvinston	Alvinston	180 00	29 50	99 75
*324	Temple	Hamilton	906 00	.....	906 00
*325	Orono	Orono	105 00	.....	105 00
*326	Zetland	Toronto	1,236 00	.....	1,301 50
327	Hammond	Wardsville ..	66 00	12 00	33 00
*328	Ionic	Napier	69 00	.....	69 00
*329	King Solomon	Jarvis	162 00	.....	162 00
330	Corinthian	London	324 00	40 00	243 00
*331	Fordwich	Fordwich	114 00	.....	114 00
*332	Stratford	Stratford	495 00	.....	495 00
*333	Prince Arthur	Flesherton ..	156 00	19 00	235 00
*334	Prince Arthur	Arthur	150 00	.....	150 00
336	Highgate	Highgate	189 00	.....	59 00
*337	Myrtle	Port Robinson	84 00	.....	84 00
*338	Dufferin	Wellandport ..	144 00	.....	146 25
*339	Orient	Toronto	747 00	.....	747 00
*341	Bruce	Tiverton	117 00	84 00	117 00
*343	Georgina	Toronto	714 00	65 75	731 95
*344	Merrill	Dorchester St.	96 00	.....	96 00
*345	Nilestown	Nilestown	69 00	.....	69 00
*346	Occident	Toronto	594 00	.....	605 05
*347	Mercer	Fergus	156 00	.....	156 00
*348	Georgian	Penetang'hene	129 00	.....	129 00
*352	Granite	Parry Sound..	279 00	34 00	279 00
*354	Brook	Cannington ..	186 00	.....	190 00
*356	River Park	Streetsville ..	117 00	81 00	117 00
*357	Waterdown ..	Millgrove	228 00	.....	228 00
358	Delaware Valley	Delaware	105 00	.....	4 50
*359	Vittoria	Vittoria	123 00	.....	123 00
*360	Muskoka	Bracebridge ..	201 00	.....	201 00
*361	Waverley	Guelph	390 00	.....	404 00
*362	Maple Leaf	Tara	150 00	.....	150 00
364	Dufferin	Melbourne	78 00	.....	14 00
*367	St. George	Toronto	597 00	.....	597 00
*368	Salem	Brockville	342 00	248 00	342 00
*369	Mimico	Lambton Mills	237 00	.....	237 00
370	Harmony	Delta	180 00	1 00	5 00
*371	Prince of Wales.....	Ottawa	267 00	267 25
*372	Palmer	Bridgeburg ..	225 00	228 00

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No.	Name of Lodge	Location	Quota based on member- ship, G. L. Pro., 1904	Contribu- tions for year ended May 31, 1912	Aggregate contribu- tions to May 31, 1912
*373	Copestone	Welland	186 00	.....	186 00
*374	Keene	Keene	93 00	.....	93 00
*375	Lorne	Omeme	93 00	.....	93 00
*376	Unity	Huntsville	270 00	.....	270 70
*377	Lorne	Shelburne	189 00	.....	106 00
*378	King Solomon	London	297 00	.....	297 00
379	Middlesex	Bryanston	90 00	.....	15 00
380	Union	London	435 00	14 00	233 00
*382	Doric	Hamilton	666 00	.....	666 00
383	Henderson	Winchester	204 00	49 00	103 00
*384	Alpha	Toronto	780 00	.....	781 00
*385	Spry	Beeton	177 00	.....	177 00
386	McColl	West Lorne	186 00	25 00	118 25
*387	Lansdowne	Lansdowne	102 00	.....	102 00
*388	Henderson	Ilderton	111 00	.....	111 00
*389	Crystal Fountain	North Augusta	105 00	.....	126 00
*390	Florence	Florence	72 00	.....	72 00
*391	Howard	Ridgetown	216 00	.....	216 00
392	Huron	Camlachie	165 00	33 50	96 50
*393	Forest	Chesley	111 00	.....	111 00
394	King Solomon	Thamesford	195 00	57 00	138 00
*395	Parvaim	Comber	138 00	.....	138 00
396	Cedar	Warton	291 00	.....	128 00
*397	Leopold	Brigden	189 00	.....	189 00
398	Victoria	Kirkfield	108 00	5 00	66 05
*399	Moffat	Harrietsville	63 00	.....	63 00
*400	Oakville	Oakville	357 00	62 64	357 00
*401	Craig	Deseronto	168 00	.....	168 00
*402	Central	Essex	171 00	.....	171 00
*403	Windsor	Windsor	513 00	.....	758 00
*404	Lorne	Tamworth	114 00	.....	155 00
*405	Mattawa	Mattawa	267 00	.....	297 25
*406	Spry	Fenelon Falls	171 00	.....	171 00
*408	Murray	Beaverton	138 00	.....	138 00
*409	Golden Rule	Gravenhurst	177 00	.....	177 00
*410	Zeta	Toronto	480 00	.....	552 00
411	Rodney	Rodney	90 00	3 00	6 00
*412	Keystone	Sault S. Marie	588 00	.....	588 00
413	Naphtali	Tilbury	309 00	.....	17 50
*414	Pequonga	Kenora	300 00	.....	400 00
415	Fort William	Fort William	261 00	110 00	198 95
*416	Lyn	Lyn	111 00	65 00	111 00
417	Keewatin	Keewatin	180 00	.....	125 00
418	Maxville	Maxville	210 00	30 00	30 00
419	Bismarek	Point Edward	261 00	24 00	71 00
*420	Nipissing	North Bay	330 00	.....	330 25
*421	Scott	Grand Valley	246 00	.....	246 00
422	Star of the East	Bothwell	132 00	6 00	21 00
*423	Strong	Sundridge	159 00	.....	159 00

SEMI-CENTENNIAL BENEVOLENT FUND—Continued

No.	Name of Lodge	Location	Quota based on membership, G. L. Pro., 1904	Contributions for year ended May 31, 1912	Aggregate contributions to May 31, 1912
*424	Doric	Pickering	114 00	47 00	114 00
425	St. Clair	Sombra	180 00	.....	55 00
*426	Stanley	Toronto	651 00	.....	654 00
*427	Nickel	Sudbury	378 00	.....	467 00
*428	Fidelity	Port Perry...	252 00	.....	252 00
*429	Port Elgin	Port Elgin....	150 00	124 00	150 00
*430	Acacia	Toronto	342 00	.....	342 00
431	Moravian	Cargill	144 00	33 00	105 00
*432	Hanover	Hanover	141 00	.....	141 00
*433	Bonnechere	Eganville	132 00	.....	144 00
*434	Algonquin	Emsdale	159 00	.....	159 00
*435	Havelock	Havelock	228 00	.....	228 00
436	Burns	Hepworth	105 00	.....	35 00
*437	Tuscan	Sarnia	303 00	.....	303 00
*438	Harmony	Toronto	747 00	.....	747 00
*439	Alexandria	Alexandria ...	135 00	112 00	135 00
*440	Arcadia	Minden	132 00	.....	163 50
*441	Westport	Westport	105 00	.....	105 00
*442	Dymont	Thessalon	204 00	.....	209 50
443	Powassan	Powassan	108 00	.....	66 00
444	Nitetis	Creemore	141 00	.....	75 00
*445	Lake of the Woods..	Kenora	87 00	.....	87 00
*446	Granite	Fort Francis..	159 00	.....	159 00
*447	Sturgeon Falls	Sturgeon Falls	138 00	.....	148 00
448	Xenophon	Wheatley	141 00	32 00	41 00
*449	Dundalk	Dundalk	84 00	18 48	84 00
*450	Hawkesbury	Hawkesbury ..	147 00	119 00	147 00
*451	Somerville	Kinmount	165 00	37 00	165 00
452	Avonmore	Avonmore	93 00	6 00	49 00
*453	Royal	Fort William..	138 00	.....	138 00
*454	Corona	Burk's Falls..	96 00	.....	96 00
*455	Doric	Little Current	195 00	.....	215 00
*456	Elma	Monkton	96 00	.....	96 00
*457	Century	Merlin	39 00	.....	40 00
*458	Wales	Wales	141 00	.....	141 00
*459	Cobden	Cobden	111 00	.....	111 00
*460	Rideau	Seeley's Bay..	105 00	.....	105 00
*461	Ionic	Rainy River..	93 00	.....	172 00
*462	Temiscaming	New Liskeard..	96 00	.....	124 62
*463	North Entrance	Haliburton ...	81 00	9 00	118 00
*464	King Edward	Sunderland ..	102 00	.....	102 00
*465	Carleton	Carp	63 00	.....	63 00
*466	Coronation	Elmvale	81 00	.....	106 00
467	Tottenham	Tottenham ...	39 00	.....	15 00
*468	Peel	Caledon East..	63 00	2 50	65 50
*469	Algoma	Sault S. Marie	66 00	.....	192 00
*470	Victoria	Victoria Harb.	42 00	.....	106 00
*471	King Edward VII. ...	Chippawa ....	.....	.....	106 00
*472	Gore Bay	Gore Bay.....	.....	.....	48 00

SEMI-CENTENNIAL BENEVOLENT FUND—Continued

No.	Name of Lodge	Location	Quota based on member- ship, G. L. Pro., 1904	Contribu- tions for year ended May 31, 1912	Aggregate contribu- tions to May 31, 1912
*473	The Beaches	Toronto .....	.....	.....	100 00
*474	Victoria	Toronto .....	.....	.....	182 00
*475	Dundurn	Hamilton .....	.....	.....	100 00
*476	Corinthian	North Gower. ....	.....	.....	21 00
*477	Harding	Woodville .....	.....	4 00	72 00
478	Milverton	Milverton .....	.....	.....	.....
*479	Russell	Russell .....	.....	5 50	64 50
480	Williamsburg	Williamsburg..	.....	.....	.....
*481	Corinthian	Toronto	126 00	.....	174 00
*482	Baneroft	Baneroft .....	.....	20 00	42 00
*483	Granton	Granton .....	.....	.....	28 00
*484	Golden Star	Dryden .....	.....	.....	79 00
*485	Haileybury	Haileybury ..	.....	.....	125 00
*486	Silver	Cobalt .....	.....	50 00	150 00
*487	Penewobikong ..	Blind River...	.....	.....	84 75
488	King Edward	Harrow .....	.....	.....	.....
*489	Osiris	Smith's Falls.	.....	.....	50 00
490	Hiram	Markdale .....	.....	.....	.....
491	Cardinal	Cardinal .....	.....	.....	.....
492	Karnak	Coldwater .....	.....	.....	.....
*493	St. Mary's	St. Mary's....	.....	.....	72 00
*494	Riverdale	Toronto .....	.....	.....	69 00
495	Electric	Hamilton .....	.....	.....	.....
496	University	Toronto .....	.....	.....	.....
*497	St. Andrew's	Arden .....	.....	.....	6 00
*498	King George V.	Coboconk .....	.....	16 00	16 00
	"F. L. E." special,	Hamilton Dist.	.....	14 00	25 00
	Sundry Contributions .....	.....	.....	.....	177 83
			\$98,247 00	\$6,545 31	\$96,872 81

SEMI-CENTENNIAL BENEVOLENT FUND

Revenue Account, Year Ended May 31st, 1912

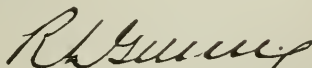
Receipts

Balance at credit May 31st, 1911.....	\$1,642 40
Interest on Investments:	
Toronto General Trusts Corporation.....	\$231 25
Berlin, Town of, debentures.....	218 60
Brandon, City of, debentures.....	200 00
Calgary, City of, debentures.....	180 00
East Toronto, Town of, debentures.....	81 76
Galt, Town of, debentures.....	80 00
Ingersoll, Town of, debentures.....	40 00
Kincardine, Town of, debentures.....	50 00
North Vancouver, District of, debentures.....	135 00
Oakville, Town of, debentures.....	239 37
Oshawa, Town of, debentures.....	237 24
Ottawa, City of, debentures.....	330 00
Owen Sound, Town of, debentures.....	145 00
Peterborough, City of, debentures.....	361 34
St. Catharines, City of, debentures.....	212 80
St. Thomas, City of, debentures.....	250 00
Saltfleet, Township of, debentures.....	200 00
Sault Ste. Marie, Town of, debentures.....	90 00
Seaforth, Town of, debentures.....	200 00
Toronto, City of, debentures.....	175 00
Walkerville, Town of, debentures.....	161 15
Windsor, City of, debentures.....	163 35
Woodstock, City of, debentures.....	180 00
Canadian Bank of Commerce, interest.....	103 95
	<hr/> 4,265 81
	<hr/> <u>\$5,908 21</u>

Disbursements

Accrued Interest on Debentures at Date of Purchase:	
Berlin, Town of.....	\$139 42
St. Thomas, City of.....	9 56
Shuniah, Municipality of.....	14 80
Walkerville, Town of.....	162 22
	<hr/> 326 00
Grants for Benevolence.....	4,515 00
Balance at credit, 31st May, 1912.....	1,067 21
	<hr/> <u>\$5,908 21</u>

Hamilton, June 15th, 1912.



Grand Secretary.

I certify that the foregoing is a correct abstract, from the books of the Grand Treasurer and the Grand Secretary, of the Receipts and Expenditure of the Grand Lodge for the year ending May 31st, 1912.

HARRY VIGEON,
Chartered Accountant.

SEMI-CENTENNIAL BENEVOLENT FUND

Supplementary List of Contributions—June 1st, 1912, to
July 18th, 1912.

No.	Lodge	Location	Amount
14	True Britons	Perth	\$ 3 00
*17	St. John's	Cobourg	39 00
*28	Mount Zion	Kemptville	24 00
*41	St. George's	Kingsville	105 50
64	Kilwinning	London	18 00
*69	Stirling	Stirling	16 00
84	Clinton	Clinton	27 00
*126	Golden Rule	Campbellford	18 00
153	Burns	Wyoming	45 00
154	Irving	Lucan	45 00
*170	Britannia	Seaforth	22 50
*171	Prince of Wales.....	Lawrence Station ...	50
*174	Walsingham	Port Rowan	5 00
*190	Belmont	Belmont	18 00
217	Frederick	Delhi	3 00
230	Kerr	Barrie	94 00
*235	Aldworth	Paisley	50 00
256	Farran's Point	Aultsville	77 00
*259	Springfield	Springfield	9 00
*262	Harriston	Harriston	174 00
274	Kent	Blenheim	20 00
285	Seven Star	Alliston	25 00
302	St. David's	St. Thomas	58 00
309	Morning Star	Carlow	25 00
320	Chesterville	Chesterville	25 00
336	Highgate	Highgate	60 00
379	Middlesex	Bryanston	33 00
380	Union	London	7 00
386	McColl	West Lorne	65 00
396	Cedar	Warton	49 30
*398	Victoria	Kirkfield	41 95
411	Rodney	Rodney	13 00
422	Star of the East.....	Bothwell	10 00
*443	Powassan	Powassan	42 00
444	Nitetis	Creemore	33 00
*448	Xenophon	Wheatley	100 00
*452	Avonmore	Avonmore	44 00
	Miscellaneous .....	.....	6 00
			<hr/> \$1,450 75 <hr/>

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES.

Upon nomination by their respective Grand Masters, the following brethren have been appointed by the Grand Master to represent this Grand Lodge near their own Grand Bodies. viz.:

W. Bro. Wm. W. Willson, Raleigh, Grand Lodge of North Carolina.

R. W. Bro. Almer E. Monroney, Oklahoma City, Grand Lodge of Oklahoma.

W. Bro. Wm. E. Inksetter, San Jose, Grand Lodge of Costa Rica.

Upon nomination by the M.W. Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada, the following brethren have been appointed to represent the Grand Lodges opposite their names, near this Grand Lodge, viz.:

R. W. Bro. Isaac Huber, Bracebridge, Grand Lodge of Connecticut.

R. W. Bro. F. Davey Diamond, Belleville, Grand Lodge of Costa Rica.

WARRANTS.

In compliance with the resolution of Grand Lodge at the last Annual Communication, warrants have been granted to:

St. Andrew's Lodge No. 497, Arden.

King George V. Lodge No. 498, Coboconk.

DISPENSATIONS.

Dispensations for new lodges have been granted to:

Port Arthur Lodge, Port Arthur.

Rose Lodge, Windsor.

Connaught Lodge, Mimico.

Coronation Lodge, Smithville.

Inwood Lodge, Inwood.

Otter Lodge, Lombardy.

Lynden Lodge, Lynden.

Porcupine Lodge, Porcupine.

CONSECRATIONS.

The following lodges have been constituted and consecrated:

St. Andrew's No. 497, Arden, by R. W. Bro. D. A. Nesbit, D.D.G.M., on Tuesday, September 26th, 1911.

King George V. Lodge No. 498, Coboconk, by R. W. Bro. W. E. N. Sinclair, D.D.G.M., on Monday, November 13th, 1911.

DEDICATIONS.

The following lodges have been dedicated during the year, viz.:

Erie District No. 1.

Sydenham Lodge No. 255. Dresden, by R. W. Bro. B. S. Sheldon, D.D.G.M., on Thursday, January 2nd, 1912.

South Huron District No. 4.

Wilmot Lodge No. 318. Baden, by R. W. Bro. S. J. Mallion, D.D.G.M., on Friday, June 30th, 1911.

Hamilton District No. 8.

Harmony Lodge No. 57. Binbrook, by R. W. Bro. B. E. Thompson, M.D., D.D.G.M., on Wednesday, October 4th, 1911.

Toronto West District No. 11.

Peel Lodge No. 468. Caledon East, by R. W. Bro. H. C. Scully, D.D.G.M., on Friday, October 6th, 1911.

Toronto East District No. 11a.

St. George's Lodge No. 367, Toronto, by M. W. Bro. Aubrey White, Grand Master, on Wednesday, August 30th, 1911.

Ontario District No. 12.

Victoria Lodge No. 398. Kirkfield, by R. W. Bro. W. E. N. Sinclair, D.D.G.M., on Tuesday, October 31st, 1911.

King George V. Lodge No. 498. Cobocok, by R. W. Bro. W. E. N. Sinclair, D.D.G.M., on Monday, November 13th, 1911.

Spry Lodge No. 406, Fenelon Falls, by R. W. Bro. W. E. N. Sinclair, D.D.G.M., on Wednesday, May 29th, 1912.

Frontenac District No. 14.

St. Andrew's Lodge No. 497, Arden, by R. W. Bro. D. A. Nesbit, D.D.G.M., on Tuesday, September 26th, 1911.

Maple Leaf Lodge No. 119, Bath, by R. W. Bro. D.

A. Nesbit, D.D.G.M., on Monday, October 30th, 1911.

Prince Arthur Lodge No. 228, Odessa, by R. W. Bro. D. A. Nesbit, D.D.G.M., on Monday, November 6th, 1911.

Ottawa District No. 16.

St. John's Lodge No. 63, Carleton Place, by M. W. Bro. Aubrey White, Grand Master, on Friday, February 9th, 1912.

Otonabee District No. 20.

Clementi Lodge No. 313, Lakefield, by R. W. Bro. John Crane, D.D.G.M., on Wednesday, May 22nd, 1912.

CORNER STONES.

Corner Stones have been laid with Masonic Ceremonies as follows:

St. Mary Magdalene (Anglican) Church, Picton, on Friday, May 10th, 1912, by M. W. Bro. Aubrey White, Grand Master.

Carp Methodist Church, Carp, on Friday, June 7th, 1912, by R. W. Bro. Alex. Morris, D.D.G.M.

Riverdale Masonic Temple, Toronto, on Saturday, June 22nd, by M. W. Bro. Aubrey White, Grand Master.

London Masonic Temple, London, on Monday, June 24th, 1912, by M. W. Bro. E. T. Malone, Past Grand Master.

BY-LAWS CONFIRMED BY THE M.W. GRAND MASTER.

Date	No.	Lodge	Location
1911			
July 1	475	Dundurn	Hamilton
July 31	316	Doric	Toronto
Aug. 18	139	Lebanon	Oshawa
Sept. 21	88	St. George's	Owen Sound
Sept. 30	287	Shuniah	Port Arthur
Sept. 30	320	Chesterville	Chesterville
Oct. 12	142	Excelsior	Morrisburg
Nov. 13	125	Cornwall	Cornwall
Nov. 29	347	Mercer	Fergus
Dec. 13	395	Parvaim	Comber
Dec. 15	207	Lancaster	Lancaster
Dec. 20	364	Dufferin	Melbourne
1912			
Jan. 8	10	Norfolk	Simcoe
Jan. 8	410	Zeta	Toronto
Jan. 23	39	Mt. Zion	Brooklin
Feb. 3	2	Niagara	Niagara
Feb. 15	78	King Hiram	Tillsonburg
Mar. 8	462	Temiscaming	New Liskeard
Mar. 19	332	Stratford	Stratford
Mar. 28	483	Granton	Granton
Apr. 4	345	Nilestown	Nilestown
Apr. 17	492	Karnak	Coldwater
May 22	64	Kilwinning	London
May 22	75	St. John's	Toronto
May 29	87	Markham Union.....	Markham
June 12	190	Belmont	Belmont
June 15	215	Lake	Ameliasburg
June 22	294	Moore	Courtright

AMENDMENTS TO BY-LAWS CONFIRMED BY THE M.W. THE
GRAND MASTER.

Date	No.	Lodge	Location
1911			
July 27	427	Nickel	Sudbury
Aug. 3	98	True Blue	Bolton
Aug. 5	41	St. George's	Kingsville
Sept. 14	257	Galt	Galt
Oct. 9	496	University	Toronto
Oct. 12	371	Prince of Wales.....	Ottawa
Oct. 13	414	Pequonga	Kenora
Oct. 24	397	Leopold	Brigden
Nov. 2	410	Zeta	Toronto
Nov. 2	270	Cedar	Oshawa
Nov. 11	384	Alpha	Toronto
Nov. 25	177	The Builders	Ottawa
Nov. 25	313	Clementi	Lakefield
Nov. 29	447	Sturgeon Falls	Sturgeon Falls
Dec. 4	430	Acacia	Toronto
Dec. 7	40	St. John's	Hamilton
Dec. 30	177	The Builders	Ottawa
1912			
Jan. 3	28	Mt. Zion	Kemptville
Jan. 3	481	Corinthian	Toronto
Jan. 8	410	Zeta	Toronto
Jan. 30	146	Prince of Wales.....	Newburgh
Feb. 16	47	Great Western	Windsor
Feb. 16	40	St. John's	Hamilton
Mar. 1	64	Kilwinning	London
Mar. 8	488	King Edward	Harrow
Mar. 28	473	The Beaches	Toronto
Apr. 4	174	Walsingham	Port Rowan
Apr. 4	305	Humber	Weston
Apr. 9	16	St. Andrew's	Toronto
Apr. 15	421	Scott	Grand Valley
Apr. 15	277	Seymour	Port Dalhousie
Apr. 17	481	Corinthian	Toronto
Apr. 17	3	Ancient St. John's.....	Kingston
Apr. 17	63	St. John's	Carleton Place
Apr. 30	32	Amity	Dunnville
May 2	410	Zeta	Toronto
May 2	447	Sturgeon Falls	Sturgeon Falls
May 3	249	Caledonian	Midland
May 4	68	St. John's	Ingersoll
May 8	316	Doric	Toronto
May 14	361	Waverley	Guelph
May 15	77	Faithful Brethren.....	Lindsay
May 25	79	Simcoe	Bradford
May 28	302	St. David's	St. Thomas
June 5	11	Moirs	Belleville
June 5	103	Maple Leaf	St. Catharines
June 5	123	Belleville	Belleville
June 5	311	Blackwood	Woodbridge
June 11	219	Credit	Georgetown
June 14	408	Murray	Beaverton

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Date	No.	Lodge	Location	Purpose
1911				
July 4	495	Electric	Hamilton	To initiate
" 5	162	Forest	Wroxeter	To install
" 5	200	St. Alban's	Mt. Forest	To install
" 6	97	Sharon	Queensville	Divine Service
" 6	87	Markham Union..	Markham	Divine Service
" 15	282	Lorne	Glencoe	To initiate
" 16	165	Burlington	Burlington	Divine Service
" 20	443	Powassan	Powassan	Divine Service
" 27	464	King Edward ...	Sunderland	Divine Service
" 27	47	Great Western ..	Windsor	To hold a picnic
" 15	447	Sturgeon Falls ..	Sturgeon Falls ..	At Home
Aug. 5	203	Irvine	Elora	Divine Service
" 8	327	Hammond	Wardsville	To install
" 8	482	Bancroft	Bancroft	Divine Service
" 10	238	Havelock	Watford	To initiate
" 16	418	Maxville	Maxville	Divine Service
" 18	196	Madawaska	Arnprior	Divine Service
" 28	242	Macey	Mallorytown	To hold excursion
Sept. 2	272	Seymour	Ancaster	Divine Service
" 5	361	Waverley	Guelph	To confer 3rd within time
" 5	109	Albion	Harrowsmith	Divine Service
" 11	486	Silver	Cobalt	Divine Service
" 14	262	Harriston	Harriston	Divine Service
" 14	190	Belmont	Belmont	Divine Service
" 14	164	Star in East....	Wellington	Divine Service
" 18	376	Unity	Huntsville	Divine Service
" 19	120	Warren	Fingal	Divine Service
" 20	81	St. John's	Mt. Brydges	Divine Service
" 20	384	Alpha	Toronto	Change hr of mtg.
" 22	486	Silver	Cobalt	To elect
" 30	144	Tecumseh	Stratford	To hold a banquet
" 30	62	St. Andrew's	Caledonia ..	Divine Service
Oct. 3	218	Stevenson	Toronto	At Home
" 5	462	Temiscaming	New Liskeard ...	Divine Service
" 5	452	Avonmore	Avonmore	Divine Service
" 10	430	Acacia	Toronto	Change hr. of mtg.
" 10	375	Waterdown	Millgrove	Divine Service
" 10	410	Zeta	Toronto	At Home
" 19	291	Dufferin	W. Flamboro' ...	Divine Service
" 23	126	Golden Rule	Campbellford	Divine Service
" 26	473	The Beaches	Toronto	At Home
" 26	316	Doric	Toronto	Lodge of Instruc.
Nov. 1	24	St. Francis	Smith's Falls ...	To initiate
" 10	384	Alpha	Toronto	At Home
" 11	367	St. George	Toronto	At Home
" 14	172	Ayr	Ayr	To initiate
" 15	154	Irving	Lucan	At Home

LIST OF DISPENSATIONS—Continued

Date	No.	Lodge	Location	Purpose
Nov. 16	412	Keystone	Sault Ste. Marie.	At Home
" 22	406	Spry	Fenelon Falls ...	Divine Service
" 22	243	St. George	St. George	To initiate
" 24	479	Russell	Russell	To hold spec. mtg.
" 24	47	Great Western ..	Windsor	At Home
Dec. 8	312	Pnyx	Wallaceburg	To install
" 11	180	Speed	Guelph	At Home
" 11	109	Albion	Harrowsmith	To install
" 11	57	Harmony	Binbrook	To hold a banquet
" 12	92	Cataraqui	Kingston	To confer 2nd within time
" 12	92	Cataraqui	Kingston	To confer 2nd within time
" 12	457	Century	Merlin	To install
" 12	47	Great Western ..	Windsor	To install
" 12	27	Strict Observance	Hamilton	Divine Service
" 13	483	Granton	Granton	To install
" 14	149	Erie	Port Dover	To install
" 14	438	Harmony	Toronto	To install
" 14	433	Bonnechere	Eganville	To install
" 19	376	Unity	Huntsville	To hold spec. mtg.
" 19	101	Corinthian	Peterborough	To install
" 19	103	Maple Leaf	St. Catharines ...	To install
" 19	155	Peterborough	Peterborough	To install
" 19	290	Leamington	Leamington	To install
" 19	361	Waverley	Guelph	To install
" 20	43	King Solomon's ..	Woodstock	To initiate
" 20	65	Rehoboam	Toronto	At Home
" 20	348	Georgian	Penetanguishene ..	To install
" 20	371	Prince of Wales..	Ottawa	To install
" 21	487	Penewobikong ...	Blind River	To install
" 22	222	Marmora	Marmora	To install
" 22	459	Cobden	Cobden	To install
" 23	434	Algonquin	Emsdale	To initiate
" 23	141	Tudor	Mitchell	To install
" 23	474	Victoria	Toronto	Change hr. of mtg.
" 23	474	Victoria	Toronto	At Home
" 26	243	St. George	St. George	To elect
" 26	16	St. Andrew's	Toronto	At Home
" 26	309	Morning Star ...	Carlow	To initiate
" 26	33	Maitland	Goderich	To install
" 28	110	Central	Prescott	To install
" 28	489	Osiris	Smith's Falls	To install
" 29	85	Rising Sun	Athens	To install
" 29	127	Franck	Frankford	To install
" 29	195	Tusean	London	To hold spec. mtg.
1912				
Jan. 2	455	Doric	Little Current ...	At Home
" 2	443	Powassan	Powassan	To install
" 3	217	Frederick	Delhi	To install

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Date	No.	Lodge	Location	Purpose
Jan. 4	46	Wellington	Chatham	Divine Service
" 5	75	St. John's	Toronto	At Home
" 10	418	Maxville	Maxville	To install
" 11	44	St. Thomas	St. Thomas	At Home
" 11	394	King Solomon ..	Thamesford	At Home
" 11	438	Harmony	Toronto	At Home
" 12	333	Prince Arthur ...	Flesherton	Lodge of Instruc.
" 12	302	St. David's	St. Thomas	At Home
" 12	494	Riverdale	Toronto	At Home
" 15	294	Moore	Courtright	At Home
" 16	22	King Solomon's ..	Toronto	At Home
" 16	491	Cardinal	Cardinal	At Home
" 17	63	St. John's	Carleton Place ...	Lodge of Instruc.
" 17	116	Cassia	Thedford	To install
" 17	185	Enniskillen	York	To install
" 17	359	Vittoria	Vittoria	To install
" 18	218	Stevenson	Toronto	At Home
" 18	88	St. George's	Owen Sound	At Home
" 20	385	Spry	Beeton	At Home
" 22	426	Stanley	Toronto	At Home
" 22	346	Occident	Toronto	At Home
" 23	192	Orillia	Orillia	Lodge of Instruc.
" 24	235	Aldworth	Paisley	To elect
" 25	383	Henderson	Winchester	At Home
" 25	47	Great Western ..	Windsor	At Home
" 26	430	Acacia	Toronto	At Home
" 27	449	Dundalk	Dundalk	To install
" 31	5	Sussex	Brockville	To hold a banquet
Feb. 7	2	Niagara	Niagara	At Home
" 8	323	Alvinston	Alvinston	At Home
" 8	279	New Hope	Hespeler	To initiate
" 8	9	Union	Napanee	Lodge of Instruc.
" 9	47	Great Western ..	Windsor	Lodge of Instruc.
" 12	29	United	Brighton	To initiate
" 12	115	Ivy	Beamsville	To initiate
" 13	466	Coronation	Elmvale	At Home
" 13	473	The Beaches	Toronto	At Home
" 14	156	York	N. Toronto	At Home
" 14	169	Macnab	Port Colborne ...	To initiate
" 14	352	Granite	Parry Sound	To initiate
" 17	322	North Star	Owen Sound	At Home
" 17	402	Central	Essex	At Home
" 20	323	Alvinston	Alvinston	To initiate
" 23	11	Moir	Belleville	Lodge of Instruc.
" 23	316	Doric	Toronto	At Home
" 24	444	Nitetis	Greemore	At Home
" 26	254	Clifton	Niagara Falls ...	At Home
" 27	368	Salem	Brockville	To install
Mar. 5	41	St. George's	Kingsville	To initiate
" 7	378	King Solomon's ..	London	At Home

LIST OF DISPENSATIONS—Continued

Date	No.	Lodge	Location	Purpose
Mar. 9	45	Brant	Brantford	At Home
" 12	410	Zeta	Toronto	At Home
" 14	410	Zeta	Toronto	Change night mtg.
" 18	313	Clementi	Lakefield	To initiate
" 18	313	Clementi	Lakefield	To initiate
" 21	76	Oxford	Woodstock	At Home
" 22	166	Wentworth	Stoney Creek	At Home
" 22	482	Baneroft	Baneroft	To initiate
Apr. 4	24	St. Francis	Smith's Falls	To hold a banquet
" 6	352	Granite	Parry Sound	At Home
" 11	93	Northern Light ..	Kincardine	At Home
" 12	367	St. George	Toronto	Change hr. of mtg.
" 12	126	Golden Rule	Campbellford	To initiate
" 13	170	Britannia	Seaforth	At Home
" 15	209a	St. John's	London	Exemplify 3d deg.
" 15	169	Macnab	Port Colborne	To initiate
" 16	34	Thistle	Amherstburg	Divine Service
" 18	316	Doric	Toronto	To initiate
" 19	486	Silver	Cobalt	At Home
" 19	194	Petrolia	Petrolia	To confer 3rd within time
" 23	146	Prince of Wales..	Newburgh	To initiate
" 24	287	Shuniah	Port Arthur	At Home
" 27	267	Parthenon	Chatham	At Home
" 30	239	Tweed	Tweed	To initiate
May 1	43	King Solomon's ..	Woodstock	Change night mtg.
" 1	494	Riverdale	Toronto	Change night mtg.
" 1	435	Havelock	Havelock	Divine Service
" 2	326	Zetland	Toronto	Change night mtg.
" 6	154	Irving	Lucan	To confer 3rd within time
" 6	154	Irving	Lucan	To confer 3rd within time.
" 8	472	Gore Bay	Gore Bay	Divine Service
" 9	465	Carleton	Carp	Divine Service
" 11	219	Credit	Georgetown	Change night mtg.
" 14	371	Prince of Wales..	Ottawa	Change night mtg.
" 14	305	Humber	Weston	Change night mtg.
" 14	228	Prince Arthur ...	Odessa	Divine Service
" 17	447	Sturgeon Falls ..	Sturgeon Falls ..	At Home
" 17	405	Mattawa	Mattawa	To initiate
" 20	156	York	N. Toronto	To confer 3rd within time
" 28	434	Algonquin	Emsdale	To elect
" 29	223	Norwood	Norwood	Divine Service
" 30	47	Great Western ...	Windsor	To hold excursion
" 31	75	St. John's	Toronto	To install
" 31	476	Corinthian	North Gower	Divine Service
June 1	40	St. John's	Hamilton	Divine Service
" 3	34	Thistle	Amherstburg	To initiate

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Date	No.	Lodge	Location	Purpose
June 4	379	Middlesex	Bryanston	Divine Service
" 4	84	Clinton	Clinton	Divine Service
" 4	406	Spry	Fenelon Falls ...	Divine Service
" 4	159	Goodwood	Richmond	Divine Service
" 5	361	Waverley	Guelph	Change night mtg.
" 6	404	Lorne	Tamworth	Divine Service
" 6	405	Mattawa	Mattawa	To decorate graves
" 7	257	Galt	Galt	Divine Service
" 8	149	Erie	Port Dover	Divine Service
" 8	386	McColl	West Lorne	Divine Service
" 10	108	Blenheim	Princeton	To install
" 11	339	Orient	Toronto	Divine Service
" 11	373	Copestone	Welland	Divine Service
" 11	394	King Solomon ..	Thamesford	Divine Service
" 11	285	Seven Star	Alliston	To install
" 11	312	Pnyx	Wallaceburg	Divine Service
" 11	344	Merrill	Dorchester	To install
" 11	360	Muskoka	Bracebridge	Divine Service
" 11	235	Aldworth	Paisley	To install
" 11	11	Moir	Belleville	Divine Service
" 12	420	Nipissing	North Bay	To elect
" 12	485	Haileybury	Haileybury	Divine Service
" 12	352	Granite	Parry Sound	Divine Service
" 12	110	Central	Prescott	Divine Service
" 12	37	King Hiram	Ingersoll	Divine Service
" 13	299	Victoria	Centreville	Divine Service
" 14	47	Great Western ..	Windsor	Divine Service
" 14	161	Percy	Warkworth	Divine Service
" 14	77	Faithful Brethren	Lindsay	Divine Service
" 14	459	Cobden	Cobden	Divine Service
" 14	151	Grand River	Berlin	Divine Service
" 14	395	Parvaim	Comber	Divine Service
" 17	5	Sussex	Brockville	Divine Service
" 17	41	St. George's	Kingsville	Divine Service
" 17	63	St. John's	Carleton Place ...	Divine Service
" 17	90	Manito	Collingwood	Divine Service
" 17	157	Simpson	Newboro'	Divine Service
" 17	165	Burlington	Burlington	Divine Service
" 17	239	Tweed	Tweed	Divine Service
" 17	413	Naphtali	Tilbury	Divine Service
" 17	442	Dymont	Thessalon	Divine Service
" 17	447	Sturgeon Falls ...	Sturgeon Falls ..	Divine Service
" 17	491	Cardinal	Cardinal	Divine Service
" 17	114	Hope	Port Hope	Divine Service
" 17	28	Mt. Zion	Kemptville	Divine Service
" 17	461	Ionic	Rainy River	Divine Service
" 17	201	Leeds	Gananoque	Divine Service
" 17	443	Powassan	Powassan	Divine Service
" 18	32	Amity	Dunnville	Divine Service
" 18	91	Colborne	Colborne	Divine Service

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Date	No.	Lodge	Location	Purpose
June 8	128	Pembroke	Pembroke	Divine Service
" 18	196	Madawaska	Arnprior	Divine Service
" 18	256	Farran's Point ..	Aultsville	Divine Service
" 18	260	Washington	Petrolia	Divine Service
" 18	297	Preston	Preston	Divine Service
" 18	302	St. David's	St. Thomas	Divine Service
" 18	415	Fort William	Fort William	Divine Service
" 18	420	Nipissing	North Bay	Divine Service
" 18	489	Osiris	Smith's Falls	Divine Service
" 18	498	King George V....	Cobocconk	Divine Service
" 19	249	Caledonian	Midland	Divine Service
" 19	137	Pythagoras	Meaford	Divine Service
" 19	487	Penewobikong ..	Blind River	Divine Service
" 20	385	Spry	Beeton	Divine Service
" 20	354	Brock	Cannington	Divine Service
" 20	219	Credit	Georgetown	Divine Service
" 20	356	River Park	Streetsville	Divine Service
" 20	372	Palmer	Bridgeburg	Divine Service
" 21	184	Old Light	Lucknow	Divine Service
" 21	254	Clifton	Niagara Falls	Divine Service
" 21	476	Corinthian	North Gower	Divine Service
" 22	195	Tuscan	London	Divine Service
" 22	291	Dufferin	W. Flamboro'	Divine Service
" 22	444	Nitetis	Creemore	Divine Service
" 24	402	Central	Essex	Divine Service
" 24	236	Manitoba	Cookstown	Divine Service
" 24	458	Wales	Wales	Divine Service
" 25	43	King Solomon's ..	Woodstock	Divine Service
" 25	486	Silver	Cobalt	Divine Service
" 26	233	Doric	Parkhill	Divine Service
" 26	408	Murray	Beaverton	Divine Service
" 26	441	Westport	Westport	Divine Service
" 28	186	Plantagenet	Plantagenet	Divine Service
" 28	33	Maitland	Goderich	Divine Service
" 29	154	Irving	Lucan	Divine Service

Fraternally submitted.

R. G. Gurney

Grand Secretary.

It was moved by the R. W. the Deputy Grand Master, seconded by M. W. Bro. J. E. Harding, and

Resolved, That the reports of the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary be received and referred to the Board of General Purposes.

The Grand Secretary presented the reports of the District Deputy Grand Masters.

It was moved by the R. W. the Deputy Grand Master, seconded by M. W. Bro. Henry Robertson, and

Resolved, That the reports of the District Deputy Grand Masters be received and referred to the Board of General Purposes.

REPORTS OF THE DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

ERIE DISTRICT No 1

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario:

MOST WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BRETHREN:

I have the honour to submit for your consideration my report on the condition of Masonry in Erie District No 1.

At the outset I wish to thank the brethren of the district for electing me to the honourable though responsible office of District Deputy Grand Master and for the many kindnesses I have received at their hands while performing my official duties.

Without exception every lodge through the district has treated me with the utmost courtesy, and I believe has endeavored to carry out my instructions to the letter thereby aiding very materially in bringing about uniformity in the work, which is one of the most important duties devolving upon the District Deputy Grand Master. I am also pleased to report that, as far as I can learn the utmost harmony has prevailed among the brethren of this district throughout the year.

I appointed Bro. E. A. Brown of St. George's Lodge No. 41 District Secretary, and wish to take this opportunity of thanking him for the efficient service rendered.

LODGE OF INSTRUCTION

On March 21st, 1912, I held a Lodge of Instruction in Windsor under the warrant of Great Western Lodge No. 47, at which we were honoured by the presence of M.W. Bro. James Dillon, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Michigan.

At 3.00 p.m. the first degree was exemplified by the W.M. and officers of Great Western Lodge No. 47, Windsor.

At 4.30 p.m. the second degree was exemplified by the W.M. and officers of Star of the East Lodge No. 422, Bothwell.

At 6.00 p.m., through the kindness of the brethren of Great Western Lodge, the brethren were entertained at dinner.

At 8.00 p.m. the third degree was exemplified by the W.M. and officers of Thistle Lodge No. 34, Amherstburg, and Kent Lodge No. 274, Blenheim.

OFFICIAL VISITS

Hammond Lodge No. 327, Wardsville, December 5th, 1911.—I spent a very pleasant evening with the brethren of this lodge and although no degrees were conferred, the lodge was opened and closed in the three degrees, which was very well done, indeed, considering the fact that no meeting had been held for some months. Great credit is due the Secretary W. Bro. Wilson, for his untiring zeal in looking after the interests of the Craft. I regret to report this lodge to be in arrears in their payments to the Semi-Centennial Benevolent Fund. They have, however, promised to make an effort to pay all, or at least part of their quota. The lodge records are in good order and its affairs are being conducted in a satisfactory manner.

Star of the East Lodge, No. 422, Bothwell, January 3rd, 1912.—W. Bros. Gatfield and Kelly gave very interesting addresses on Masonry in general and the S. C. B. Fund in particular. I regret to report that this lodge is still in arrears in their payments to this fund, but I am led to hope immediate steps will be taken to have the matter cleaned up. The W.M., W. Bro. Bradley, exemplified a third degree in a most impressive manner. The work done in this lodge is second to none in the district; the brethren take a keen interest in Masonic affairs, while harmony and brotherly love abound. The lodge is in good condition financially and the records well kept.

Lorne Lodge No. 282, Glencoe, January 4th, 1912.—I visited this lodge on the above date, and was pleased to report finding Masonry occupying a high moral standard and the lodge in excellent condition. The W.M.,

W. Bro. Finlayson, opened and closed the lodge in the three degrees in a most efficient manner. W. Bro. Hyttenraugh, assisted by V.W. Bro. Hughson, conferred a third degree in a very able manner indeed. The W.M. is assisted by a very efficient staff of officers, who take a keen interest in their work. I was pleased to meet one of the landmarks in Masonry in the person of W. Bro. Rogers, who, although 82 years of age, is a regular attendant at lodge meetings. The records are well and ably kept.

Sydenham Lodge No. 255, Dresden, January 11th, 1912.—I had the pleasure of conducting the ceremony of dedicating the new Masonic Hall at 3 p.m. on the above date, in which I was ably assisted by R.W. Bros. Carscallen, Fraser and Laurie, V. W. Bro. Brown and a large number of Past Masters from Windsor, Chatham and Thamesville.

In the evening I made my official visit, when the W.M., W. Bro. Jeffs, conferred the third degree in a very impressive manner. The brethren of this lodge are to be congratulated on their zeal in furnishing their new hall in such a beautiful manner, which evinces the interest taken in masonry by them. The records are well kept by Secretary W. Bro. Watson, the lodge is in good condition financially, and future prospects bright.

McColl Lodge No. 386, West Lorne, January 30th, 1912.—The evening spent with the brethren of this lodge was both pleasant and profitable. The W.M., W. Bro. Jno. Milner, conferred a third degree in an able manner, in which he was assisted by a capable staff of officers. The future prospects of this lodge are of the brightest, it is in good condition financially and the records are well and ably kept by the Secretary, W. Bro. Kelly, who, with the rest, has the interest of McColl lodge at heart.

Rodney Lodge No. 411, Rodney, January, 31st, 1912.—The officers are all capable and enthusiastic Masons, but I regret to report the lodge is not flourishing as it should on account of so many of the brethren being in arrears in their dues. This matter was discussed fully and the Secretary was instructed to notify the brethren that the dues must be paid. The brethren of

this lodge are also in arrears regarding the S. C. B. Fund, but I understand good substantial payments have since been made on account. I had hoped to see this lodge work a first degree, but, no candidate being present, the lodge was opened and closed in the several degrees in a satisfactory manner. W. Bro. Dorlandt, to whom this lodge owes much for his zeal in furthering the interests of the Craft, was unable to be present during the discussion. The books are well kept.

St. George's Lodge No. 41, Kingsville, February 1st, 1912.—I visited this, my own lodge, on the above date, and was given an enthusiastic reception. The W.M., W. Bro. Hoover, and his officers conferred a third degree in a manner which did them credit. The books and records are kept by the Secretary, W. Bro. Goodeve, in a manner that shows he is a Past Master in the art. An excellent banquet was given on March 15th, at which a most enjoyable evening was spent.

Parvaim Lodge No. 395, Comber, February 2nd, 1912.—I had the pleasure of witnessing a second degree conferred by W.M., W. Bro. McDougall, who was assisted by an exceptionally capable staff of officers. V.W. Bro. Brown, who is a member of Parvaim Lodge, is among the most enthusiastic Masons of this district and is ever ready to lend a helping hand to further the interests of the Craft whenever the opportunity offers. The books of the lodge are well kept and future prospects bright.

Kent Lodge No. 274, Blenheim, February 26th, 1912.—I had the pleasure of meeting with the brethren of this lodge on December 4th, 1911, on which date I had the honour of installing the officers for the ensuing year. On February 26th I again visited them in my official capacity and had the pleasure of witnessing two second degrees conferred by W. Bros. Holmes and Fellows in a creditable manner. The work done in this lodge is second to none in the district. The brethren are enthusiastic Masons and although they are in arrears in their payments to the S. C. B. Fund they have given me their promise that they would reduce it very materially during the present year. Great credit is due the Secretary W. Bro. Crookshanks for the splendid manner in which the lodge records are kept.

Highgate Lodge, No. 336, Highgate, March 1st, 1912.—I spent a pleasant evening with the brethren of this lodge and although no work was done the lodge was opened and closed in the several degrees in a highly satisfactory manner. The brethren have handsome quarters and among the members are many enthusiastic Past Masters. The records are well kept and future prospects bright.

Parthenon Lodge, No. 267, Chatham, March 6th, 1912.—I was accompanied on my visit to this lodge by a number of Windsor brethren and was entertained right royally by the officers and members. The W.M., W. Bro. Oldershaw, conferred a third degree in a very satisfactory manner indeed. the work in this lodge is well up to the high standard of efficiency which characterizes most of the lodges in Erie District, the smallest detail being carefully looked after. I wish to especially commend the Deacons for their good work. This lodge is in a thriving condition the books and records are well and carefully kept. I had again the opportunity of enjoying the hospitality of the brethren of Parthenon Lodge on May 8th when it was my privilege to attend an At Home tendered to the ladies.

Great Western Lodge, No. 47, Windsor, March 21st, 1912.—A first degree was conferred by the W.M., W. Bro. Douglas and his staff of officers in a highly creditable manner. This lodge is prospering most favorably the financial affairs being well looked after by an enthusiastic committee, who, aided by the Secretary, spare no pains to raise the standard of their lodge. The books and records are well and carefully kept. I am pleased to report that the condition of Masonry in the city of Windsor is most encouraging.

Howard Lodge, No. 391, Ridgetown, April 1st, 1912.—I paid my official visit to this lodge on the above date and although no work was before the lodge the W.M., W. Bro. Reyeraft exemplified a first degree in which he was assisted by W. Bros. Locke and Porterfield. I regret to report that some of the officers of this lodge live at so great a distance as to prevent their attending regularly, however I have been assured that the work will be gotten well in hand. The lodge

has commodious quarters, is in good condition financially while the books and records are well kept.

Central Lodge, No. 402, Essex, April 30th, 1912.—The W.M., W. Bro. Doyle conferred a first degree in a very efficient manner indeed. The brethren of the lodge are to be congratulated on having such a capable staff of officers as well as numerous Past Masters who take an active interest in the work. This lodge is in a thriving condition and records exceptionally well kept and future prospects bright. On June 24th I had the honour of installing the officers being assisted by W. Bro. Gatfield of Windsor.

Leamington Lodge, No. 290, Leamington, April 29th, 1912.—On January 2nd I had the pleasure of installing the officers of this lodge and again visited them on the above date. The W.M., W. Bro. Malott, conferred a first degree in a satisfactory manner after which the lodge was opened and closed in the second and third degrees, the work of this lodge is well up to the standard, much credit for which is due R. W. Bro. Hillier who takes considerable interest in the Craft. I regret this lodge is still in arrears in their payments to the S. C. B. Fund, but understand steps have since been taken to have the matter paid off. The financial affairs of the lodge are well looked after, the quarters commodious, the records well kept and prospects for a successful future bright.

King Edward Lodge, No. 488, Harrow, May 21st, 1912.—I visited this lodge on the above date the W.M. very kindly consenting to call an emergency meeting for the purpose, I being unable to attend on their regular night of meeting. A first degree was ably conferred by the W.M., W. Bro. Ferris, assisted by a capable staff of officers. This lodge has been for the last four years the baby lodge of the district but so much zeal and energy has been displayed by the brethren that it stands well to the fore with the other lodges. It should be, with its 62 members and quarters second to none in the district, a source of pride to those who have taken an active part in bringing it up to its present state of efficiency. The books and records are well looked after and future prospects bright. I had the pleasure of attending an At Home tendered to the

ladies by the brethren at which a most enjoyable evening was spent.

Pynx Lodge, No. 312, Wallaceburg, April 29th, 1912.—I was accompanied on my visit to this lodge by R.W. Bro. Laurie P.D.D.G.M. and spent a profitable evening with the brethren. The work was a first degree which was conferred by W. Bro. Dundas in a most efficient manner. The work of this lodge is well up to the standard, the brethren enthusiastic and future prospects exceptionally bright. The lodge records are well looked after.

Windsor Lodge, No. 403, Windsor, April 12th, 1912.—I received an enthusiastic reception from the brethren of this lodge, the W.M., W. Bro. Carmichael, conferred a first degree in a creditable manner while the opening and closing in the second and third degrees was all that could be desired. This lodge is especially honoured in having as Secretary R.W. Bro. A. N. Pettit, Grand Registrar, who keeps the books ably and well. The brethren of the lodge take a deep interest in all matters pertaining to the Craft, the future prospects are exceptionally bright.

Wellington Lodge No. 46, Chatham, April 15th, 1912.—A number of Windsor brethren journeyed with me to Chatham on this occasion. The work, which was a first degree, was conferred by the W.M., W. Bro. Poile, assisted by W. Bro. Sample and an able staff of officers, in a highly commendable manner. R.W. Bro. Laurie, who is a member of this lodge, has rendered me valuable assistance in performing my official duties. Masonry throughout the city of Chatham is in a flourishing condition, the greatest harmony prevailing among the brethren of the different lodges. The books and records are well kept, the appointments of the lodge most suitable and prospects are bright.

Florence Lodge, No. 390, Florence, April 26th, 1912.—I was accompanied on my visit to this lodge by V.W. Bro. Pye and several of the Thamesville brethren. The W.M., W. Bro. Kelly assisted by W. Bro. Bodkin conferred a first degree in a most perfect manner, after which the lodge was opened and closed in the second and third degrees. This lodge, though among the younger

ones is second to none in Erie District, in the manner in which the work was put on especially the floor work. The W.M. is to be complimented on his able staff of officers. I am led to believe that it is through the personal efforts of W. Bro. Kelly that the lodge has attained its present high state of efficiency. The Secretary is also to be complimented for the zeal he displays in keeping the dues well up to date. The records are well kept and future prospects of the brightest.

Thistle Lodge, No. 34, Amherstburg, February 27th, 1912.—I was accompanied on the occasion of my visit to this lodge, by a large number of the brethren of Great Western Lodge, Windsor and an enjoyable evening was spent with the Amherstburg brethren. The W.M., W. Bro. F. J. Maloney exemplified a second degree in a most efficient manner, in which he was assisted by a capable staff of officers. The brethren of Thistle Lodge are very enthusiastic Masons and have fitted out one of the finest lodge rooms in the district with banquet hall and club room attached. The officers have able support in a large number of Past Masters who are regular attendants and who take pleasure in assisting in the work. The finances are in good shape and the records well kept.

Xenophon Lodge, No. 448, Wheatley, February 29th, 1912.—W. Bro. Chamberlain exemplified a first degree in a creditable manner besides opening and closing the lodge in the second and third degrees, the able manner in which it was done shows that the brethren have their work well in hand. I was sorry at not meeting W. Bro. Wilson, who is invaluable to the brethren of Xenophon Lodge but who was unable to be present on account of stress of business. It is the intention of the brethren to pay off the balance of their quota on account of the S. C. B. Fund during the year. The books and records are well kept by the Secretary, W. Bro. Scott, and the prospects of the lodge are bright.

Century Lodge, No. 457, Merlin, March 5th, 1912.—A first degree was conferred by the W.M., W. Bro. Marshall assisted by W. Bro. Smith in a capable manner, the opening and closing in the second and third degrees showed that the officers were familiar with their work. This lodge, though weak in numbers is in good

financial condition, and good work is being done. The lodge records are well looked after by W. Bro. Smith. The future prospects of this lodge are bright.

Naphtali Lodge, No. 413, Tilbury, March 26th, 1912.—I spent a pleasant evening with the brethren of this lodge, the W.M., W. Bro. Jardine assisted by W. Bro. Johnston conferred a first degree in a creditable manner, while the opening and closing in the different degrees was all that could be desired. I regret to report this lodge is still in arrears as regards the S. C. B. Fund. Considerable time was spent discussing the question and I feel satisfied good will result. The records are being well looked after, the lodge has commodious quarters and future prospects are bright.

Tecumseh Lodge, No. 245, Thamesville, May 27th, 1912.—A first degree was conferred by the W.M., W. Bro. Graham and his capable staff of officers in a very satisfactory manner indeed. The lodge is progressing most favorably as the brethren take a deep interest in matters pertaining to the Craft. R.W. Bros. Fraser and Worth, both of whom are members of this lodge do much toward keeping it at its present high standard. Considerable credit is due the Secretary, V.W. Bro. Pye for the manner in which he performs his duties; the lodge records are exceptionally well kept.

Rose Lodge, U.D., Windsor, June 18th, 1912.—On December 26th, 1911, I was commanded by the Most Worshipful The Grand Master to perform the ceremony of Instituting this lodge which I did, being ably assisted by R.W. Bro. A. N. Pettit, Grand Registrar, and R.W. Bros. Wigle, Paine and Revell, P.D.D.G.Ms. Masonic history informs us that a lodge of this name existed in Sandwich some 60 years ago, and it is the intention of the brethren to secure as many of the relics of the Rose lodge of long ago as possible in order that a connecting link may be formed between the old and new lodges. An interesting event which took place at this ceremony was the presentation to the lodge of the seal of old Rose Lodge by Bro. James Porter McEwen who has the honour of being elected tyler of the new lodge. On June 18th, I again visited the brethren when the W.M., W. Bro. Tolmie conferred a third degree in a most perfect manner. I am pleased to report that the work done by the

officers of this new lodge is second to none in the district. All the requirements of Grand Lodge in the way of regalia, furniture, etc. have been complied with and I trust the Committee on Warrants will so favourably take the matter into their consideration that a warrant will be granted at this annual communication of Grand Lodge.

SEMI-CENTENNIAL FUND

I am pleased to report that Xenophon Lodge No. 448, Wheatley and St George's Lodge No. 41, Kingsville have paid their full quota to this fund during the year, while all or nearly all of the remaining eight lodges who are in arrears, have very materially reduced their assessment, some of whom I trust will pay in full before the meeting of Grand Lodge.

In conclusion I would say I have paid particular attention to the work and the manner in which it is given in order that the most lasting impression may be made upon candidates, thus enabling them to put into active operation the beautiful lessons of Masonry which would influence their future lives toward higher and better things.

Fraternally submitted.

B. S. SHELDON, D.D.G.M.,
Erie District, No. 1

ST. CLAIR DISTRICT No. 2.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario:

MOST WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BRETHREN:

It is with a great deal of pleasure that I present to you my report on the condition of Masonry in St. Clair District No. 2.

Permit me in the first place to express to my brethren of St. Clair District my appreciation of the very great honour conferred on me by electing me District Deputy Grand Master of this district, and my thankfulness for the kind and cordial reception by the members of every lodge in the district during my term of office.

Masonry in this district is making decided progress, and from the class of candidates that were being advanced on my official visits, I am led to believe that quality rather than quantity is the prevailing wish of the brethren of this district.

The Semi-Centennial Fund has made very little progress, although I received all sorts of favourable promises, and in some cases heard resolutions passed to have their full quota paid at an early date. I regret very much that more of the lodges have not responded as I was led to believe they would at an earlier date, but feel sure that a large portion of the balance will be handed in before the next session of Grand Lodge.

I also wish to express my appreciation of the honour conferred on me by the M.W. the Grand Master of instituting a lodge at Inwood, and I feel that Inwood Lodge has a bright future ahead, which I will refer to later in my report.

The first lodge I had the honour of visiting was St. John's Lodge No. 81, Mount Brydges, on October 31st. I regret very much to chronicle the lamentable condition of this lodge, owing to the existence of two factions, and I believe they have not conferred a degree for many months.

W. Bro. E. R. Bond opened and closed the lodge in the three degrees in a very efficient manner. He was supported by past officers in all the chairs but three. It looks as though the officers had lost heart, but it is hoped that the social and fraternal side of Masonry will predominate in the near future.

I visited Arkona Lodge No. 307 on November 2nd, 1911, and found a fairly good attendance, there being about twenty-five present. W. Bro. Hall and officers conferred a third degree in a very pleasing manner. The lodge appears to be in a good financial condition; dues well paid up.

I visited Ionic Lodge No. 328, Napier, on November 3rd, 1911, and found a very small attendance, as the roads were in a terrible condition. W. Bro. Dowding being slightly indisposed, W. Bro. Sutherland conferred a third degree in a very impressive manner. The lodge is in a healthy condition, owning their own hall, and dues being well paid up.

I visited Havelock Lodge No. 328, Watford, on November 28th, 1911. I was very sorry that the candidate for advancement did not appear, but feel sure, from the work of the different officers, that they could confer the degree in a faultless manner. They have a beautiful hall, well furnished, and the lodge is in a flourishing condition. The members feel very keenly the removal of their esteemed Secretary, Bro. H. R. Stuart. W. Bro. S. Rivers has since been elected Secretary, and I feel sure that he will fill the position with credit. I have the assurance that the S.-C. Fund will be paid in full by July, 1912.

I visited Burns Lodge No. 153, Wyoming, on January 4th, 1912. W. Bro. Culbert and officers, installed just eight days before, conferred the first degree in a very creditable manner. I was very much impressed with his work, and also that of the J.D. This lodge is blessed with a lot of Past Masters, who are all very thorough in their work, so that, with the very efficient staff of officers recently installed, Burns Lodge has a bright future ahead. The balance of the S.-C. Fund is under way and will soon be all paid.

I visited Cassia Lodge No. 116. Thedford, on Janu-

ary 29th, 1912. W. Bro. Charles Hall opened the lodge, and R.W. Bro. George Sutherland installed the officers, there being only W. Bro. Rumford, W.M., and Bro. Lloyd, Secretary, present. There was no degree work. This lodge is suffering from lack of interest, and I strongly recommended more practice and thorough drilling to create interest and thereby insure attendance. The small balance of the S.-C. Fund will soon be fully paid up. Prospects of the lodge favorable.

I visited Forest Lodge No. 263, Forest, on January 30th, 1912. W. Bro. John Scouler and officers conferred the first degree in almost perfect manner. This lodge is officered by the youngest staff of officers of any lodge that I had the honour of visiting to date. The lodge should be congratulated on having such an efficient Secretary as Bro. P. W. Campbell, who has held that office for twenty-five years, and missed only two meetings during that time. The books are in excellent shape and dues well paid up.

I visited Huron Lodge No. 392, Camlachie, on January 31, 1912, accompanied by W. Bro. A. E. McDonald and several of the brethren of Burns Lodge No. 153. W. Bro. Burnley and officers conferred the first degree in a fair manner, this being their first attempt. Something of a novel nature attracted my attention, being three generations holding office—Bro. A. Trusler, Secretary, R.W. Bro. S. W. Trusler, P.D.D.G.M., and Bro. W. A. Trusler, J.D. The lodge is in a fair condition.

I visited Moore Lodge No. 294, Courtright, on February 1st, 1912. W. Bro. Kent and officers conferred three second degrees. The lodge was well officered, and their work showed how much they had been practising. The lodge is in splendid condition. The Secretary's books were kept neat and clean, dues well paid up. I was very pleased to assist in welcoming several of the brethren of Evergreen Lodge, St. Clair, Mich.

I visited Washington Lodge No. 260 and Petrolia Lodge No. 194, Petrolia, on February 7th, 1912. W. Bro. R. G. Smith conferred the M.M. degree in a faultless manner. This being a joint meeting, Washington Lodge was closed, and the officers of Petrolia Lodge

assumed the chairs, and W. Bro. Thomas Bicknell exemplified a Fellowcraft degree, and under the circumstances they did remarkably well. The officers are in prime shape, from the fact that they have a lot of work on at all times of the year. Both lodges, blessed with the fraternal spirit, are working together harmoniously. S.-C. Fund is in progress.

I visited Bismarck Lodge No. 419, Point Edward, on February 12th, 1912. A goodly number of past officers were present; R.W. Bros. Montgomery and Wanless, V.W. Bros. Boyd and Mitten, and many P.Ms. from Leopold Lodge No. 397. W. Bro. C. J. O'Neil conferred a second degree in a truly faultless manner, showing the result of deep study and reflecting great credit on the officers of Bismarck Lodge.

I visited St. Clair Lodge No. 425, Sombra, on February 27, 1912. W. Bro. J. Gordon Dalgetta and officers conferred a third degree in the most perfect and impressive manner that I have had the pleasure of witnessing to date. This lodge is in a very healthy condition. The W.M. assured me that they would make a special effort to have the S.-C. Fund paid up at an early date.

I visited Alvinston Lodge No. 323, Alvinston, on February 28th, 1912. W. Bro. Middleton and officers conferred the M.M. degree in almost faultless manner, showing the effect of deep thought and steady practice, reflecting great credit on the lodge.

I visited Dufferin Lodge No. 364, Melbourne, on February 29th, 1912. The W.M., Bro. Stephenson, being unavoidably absent, W. Bro. Hagerty assumed the chair and opened the lodge in the first and second degrees. No candidate being present, I had no opportunity to judge their work. I was pleased to see four applications for membership, which, if accepted, will place this lodge on a fair financial footing. I found the lodge in a weak condition, owing to lack of interest. I might say that they have a new code of by-laws, and show marked improvement in their business methods.

I visited Beaver Lodge No. 83, Strathroy, on March 1st, 1912. W. Bro. Donaldson and officers conferred the F.C. degree in a truly faultless manner. This lodge

is blessed with a splendid staff of officers and a goodly supply of efficient P.Ms. I think a great credit is due to the thoroughness of R.W. Bro. Argue. I was assured that the S.-C. Fund would soon all be paid.

I visited Alexandra Lodge No. 158, Oil Springs, on March 7th, 1912. This being the Lodge of Instruction, I had a splendid opportunity to see the work done at its best and to hear the comments of the other P. D. D. G. Ms., and all were of the same opinion, that W. Bro. Sauvey and officers conferred the second degree in a faultless manner. The S.D. work was also worthy of favorable comment. The attendance was about one hundred, which speaks well for the interest in Masonry, as the train connections are poor.

I visited Victoria Lodge No. 56, Sarnia, on March 5th, 1912. W. Bro. Ross Polley and officers conferred the second degree in a very creditable manner, which elicited much praise from all the visitors. A very pleasing event took place, when W. Bro. Dr. Henderson, on behalf of Victoria Lodge, presented V.W. Bro. W. T. Goodison with a handsome set of Grand Lodge regalia, thereby showing the esteem in which V.W. Bro. Goodison is held.

I visited Leopold Lodge No. 397, Brigden, on March 27th, 1912. W. Bro. E. E. Vail and officers conferred a first degree in a very fair manner, but showed the need of practice. The J.W.'s lecture was well rendered. The finances are in a fairly good condition. This being my mother lodge, I was accorded a very cordial welcome. I was very pleased to have present V.W. Bro. John Boyd and W. Bro. A. E. McDonald, of Sarnia.

Tuscan Lodge No. 437, Sarnia, was visited by R.W. Bro. Thomas Montgomery on February 21st, who reports that W. Bro. Carter and his efficient staff of officers conferred the first degree in a very highly satisfactory manner. W. Bro. Warren and myself, got as far as Courtright, but on account of a terrific snow-storm were unable to get any further by train, boat or sleigh, and I therefore requested R.W. Bro. Montgomery to officiate in my stead, which he kindly consented to do.

The Lodge of Instruction for St. Clair District No. 2

was held at Oil Springs on March 7th, 1912. The first degree was conferred by the officers of Burns Lodge, Wyoming, in a splendid style. The second degree was conferred by the officers of Alexandra Lodge, Oil Springs, which was also done in an excellent manner. Lodge was then called from labour to refreshment, when the brethren were banquetted in the hall below the lodge room by Alexandra Lodge. Lodge resumed labour at 7.30. The third degree was conferred by the officers of Havelock Lodge, Watford, in a splendid style.

Inwood Lodge, U.D.—It is with a very great deal of pleasure that I have to report the instituting of Inwood Lodge, at Inwood, on May 16th, 1912. I was ably assisted by a number from Leopold and Alvinston Lodges, and am proud to say that, taking into consideration the size of the village, they have the most up-to-date lodge of any in the district. The brethren of Inwood deserve a great deal of praise for the taste displayed. At their first meeting they had ten applications, nearly all A1 material. The lodge is officered by a splendid staff and has a bright future ahead.

In conclusion I wish to say that the efforts of my distinguished predecessors in getting the district in the high state of perfection it now enjoys made my duties comparatively light, and the year just now closing will remain green in my memory as one of the most instructive and happy periods of my life.

I desire to convey to the brethren my hearty thanks for the beautiful regalia presented to me at the Lodge of Instruction, also for the warm hospitality received at their hands on all occasions.

Fraternally submitted,

JNO. W. McDONALD, D.D.G.M.,
St. Clair District No. 2.

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

Table Shewing the Work Done in St. Clair District No. 2, from June 24th, 1911, to June 24th, 1912.

No. of Lodge	Name of Lodge	Location	Mem- bers' ship		Total No. of all Mem.	Increase during year		E. A.	Degr's % Conf'd		Affiliations	Restorations	Resignations	Suspensions, N. P. D.	Suspensions, other causes	Deceased	Meet's held		Aver. atten'ce of members	Amount paid for relief	No. mem. 12 mths in arrears	Total of all arrears	Date of last G. L. Return	Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W. M. work all degrees	Insurance				
			Total No. of all Mem.	Increase during year		E. A.	F. C.		M. M.	Regular							Emergent	Total													
56	Victoria	Sarnia	227	12	92	1	10	8	8	1	1	4	1	1	5	10	20	30	184	75	16	210	00	Dec.	27, '11	A1	Excellent	Yes	Yes		
81	St. John's	Mt. Brydges	92	1	120	1	1	6	6	3	1	1	1	1	4	13	10	15	25	78	00	Dec.	27, '11	Good	Fair	Yes	\$1500 00				
83	Beaver	Strathroy	120	1	45	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	13	16	30	26	00	20	146	00	Dec.	27, '11	Good	Good	Yes	1000 00	
116	Cassia	Thedford	45	1	110	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	5	1	6	10	.....	9	51	00	Dec.	27, '11	Good	Fair	Yes	Yes	
153	Burns	Wyoming	110	1	74	1	4	3	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	12	2	14	22	.....	4	100	00	Dec.	27, '11	Good	Good	Yes	1300 00	
158	Alexandra	Oil Springs	74	1	112	1	4	3	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	10	14	16	.....	20	87	25	Dec.	27, '11	Good	Good	Yes	2800 00	
194	Petrolia	Petrolia	112	12	71	2	15	16	16	1	1	1	1	1	2	4	12	22	20	138	10	12	87	00	Dec.	27, '11	Good	Good	Yes	2965 00	
238	Havelock	Watford	71	2	123	3	3	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	12	1	13	25	5	00	20	190	75	Dec.	27, '11	Fair	Good	Yes	500 00
260	Washington	Petrolia	123	3	84	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	12	1	13	25	15	62	00	Dec.	27, '11	Good	Good	Yes	200 00	
263	Forest	Forest	84	1	57	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	47	75	15	52	00	Dec.	27, '11	Fair	Good	Yes	600 00	
294	Moore	Courtright	57	1	42	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	10	2	12	13	.....	2	24	00	Dec.	27, '11	Good	Fair	Yes	Yes	
307	Arkona	Arkona	42	1	67	1	1	3	3	1	1	3	1	1	1	13	1	13	15	27	50	16	49	00	Dec.	27, '11	Fair	Good	Yes	200 00	
323	Alvinston	Alvinston	67	1	44	1	1	2	2	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	13	27	50	16	49	00	Dec.	27, '11	Good	Good	Yes	600 00	
328	Ionic	Napier	44	1	50	1	1	3	3	1	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	10	5	00	5	34	75	Dec.	27, '11	Good	Good	Yes	330 00	
364	Dufferin	Melbourne	50	4	66	7	2	3	3	1	1	7	1	1	1	9	1	11	10	.....	21	127	50	June	24, '11	Good	Fair	Yes	Yes	Yes
392	Huron	Cambridge	66	7	62	4	2	2	2	1	1	7	1	1	3	3	3	13	18	75	00	21	90	00	Dec.	27, '11	Good	Good	Yes	Yes	Yes
397	Leopold	Brigden	62	4	70	1	1	4	4	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	3	14	.....	4	14	50	Dec.	27, '11	Good	Good	Yes	100 00	
419	Bismark	Pt. Edward	70	1	90	3	4	2	2	1	1	2	1	1	1	10	1	10	12	.....	27	.....	.....	Dec.	27, '11	Fair	Fair	Yes	Yes	Yes
425	St. Clair	Sombra	90	3	180	12	14	11	11	6	2	1	1	1	1	8	6	14	19	5	00	81	75	Dec.	27, '11	Fair	Fair	Yes	2500 00		
437	Tuscan	Sarnia	180	12	18	1	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	10	12	22	24	30	00	.....	Dec.	27, '11	Good	Excellent	Yes	Yes	Yes
UD	Inwood	Inwood	18	1	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	14	.....	.....	.....	Dec.	27, '11	Good	Good	Yes	350 00	

LONDON DISTRICT No. 3

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario:

MOST WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BRETHREN:

I have the honour of presenting my report for London District No. 3 and in doing so, I can only state that, as far as I know, I carried out your wishes by visiting every lodge once and in some cases, twice. I found the district in exceptionally good shape and trust that my successor will be treated with the same respect and be received in the same courteous manner that I was.

I visited St. Thomas Lodge No. 44, St. Thomas, on the 7th of September, 1911, accompanied by several brethren from London. The W.M., assisted by his regular staff of officers, conferred a third degree. The work was particularly well done by the Master and his officers. They are hard workers and enthusiastic Masons. The books are well kept by R.W. Bro. L. Slater, who is also an active worker in the lodge, although he has reached his three score and ten; long may he be spared to continue his good work. This is one of the strongest, as well as one of the best lodges in the district. Since writing the above, R. W. Bro. Slater has seen fit to resign his office, owing to advanced age; the lodge has done nobly by making him Honorary Life Secretary, with annuity.

I visited Nilestone Lodge No. 345, Nilestone, on Tuesday, October 3rd, and witnessed the conferring of the first degree. The chair was occupied by W. Bro. Carlton, I.P.M., owing to illness of W. Bro. Jackson and the work was well done. The officers are all earnest workers and this lodge is in a healthy state.

I visited St. George's Lodge No. 42, London, Thursday, October 5th, and witnessed the conferring of the third degree by W. Bro. Quantz and officers of lodge. The work was well done and the officers all appear to be interested in their work and desirous of doing their best. The lodge is in a good healthy condition and the

P.Ms. take a keen interest in its welfare. The books are in particularly good shape, under the supervision of V.W. Bro. Ellis.

I visited Moffatt Lodge, No. 399, Harrietsville, on October 26th. W. Bro. McVicar opened and closed the lodge in all three degrees, fairly well. This is a well-organized lodge, being well supported by the individual members. The books are in good shape, dues well paid up. I advised them very strongly to have a greater amount of intercourse with sister lodges, having an interchange of work occasionally, thereby improving themselves, as well as increasing the fraternal good fellowship in the district.

I visited Cameron Lodge 232, Dutton on November 1st. Owing to the absence of W. Bro. Price, the Master of the lodge, W. Bro. Duncanson and Roberts conferred the third degree on two candidates. The work by the different officers was well done and Cameron Lodge is under obligations to the two W. Bros., who have so zealously looked after the interests of the lodge this year, as the W.M. was moved from the village shortly after his installation and was not able to attend on all occasions. The books are well kept by Bro. McCallum.

I visited Merrill Lodge 344, Dorchester, on November 2nd. The W.M. and officers conferred the first degree. The work was well done; but this lodge is handicapped at present owing to scarcity of material for officers. The Junior Warden left the village shortly after his election and I installed his successor on the night of my official visit. The Senior Warden is also away a great deal of his time and unless he can give a greater amount of attention to his duties next year, it will not be advisable to place him in the East. After lodge was closed, we spent a very pleasant hour in discussing Masonic matters generally. This was very instructive to me and I hope also, to the other brethren present.

I visited Belmont Lodge 190, Belmont on November 3rd. The W.M. and officers, conferred the first degree; this work was particularly well done. This is a live lodge and all members are enthusiastic workers. On the conclusion of the work, I called their attention to the rulings of the late M.W. Grand Master which are to

be found in G. L. proceedings. The books are in good shape, due to the careful attention of W. Bro. Turner, Secretary.

I visited Corinthian Lodge 330, London East on November 7th, and witnessed the conferring of the first degree by the W.M. and officers. The work was well done and I was particularly well pleased with W. Bro. Hunter and his staff of officers. This is a strong lodge and in healthy condition, having many enthusiastic P. Ms. whose influence tends to keep the work up to a proper standard. I was sorry to have to speak strongly on the Semi-Centennial Fund; but before lodge closed, I had the assurance that unless delinquents paid their assessments, the W.M. would ask for donations from the brethren and try and wipe off their shortage to above fund. I examined the books and found that V.W. Bro. Simpson had everything in good shape.

Visited King Solomon's Lodge, No. 378, London West on Thursday, November 9th, 1911. W. Bro. Thomas Wedderburn occupied the chair and he was ably assisted by his officers in the degree work. This lodge has many enthusiastic P.Ms. and is gradually forging to the front in Masonic work in the city. I had the pleasure of presenting R. W. Bro. T. G. Davis with his Grand Lodge regalia.

I visited Warren Lodge No. 120, Fingal, on January 2nd, and witnessed the initiation of a candidate by W. Bro. Brown, assisted by W. Bro. Francis and Norman. The work was well done; the books are splendidly kept and dues are in a satisfactory state. This lodge, like nearly all country lodges, is badly in need of an infusion of new blood, in the shape of bright young men. I was pleased to meet the oldest W.M. of Warren Lodge, in the person of W. Bro. Malcolm Campbell, a man over eighty years and still full of enthusiasm for the good of the Craft.

I visited St. Paul's' Lodge No. 107, Lambeth, on January 3rd, accompanied by several brethren from the city. The Master, W. Bro. Crinklaw, opened and closed his lodge in all three degrees. Judging from the manner in which he and his officers did their work, I would say that they were capable men. I was disap-

pointed that there was no degree work and resolved to visit this lodge again so that I might verify the good impression I had of the officers on my official visit. I found the Secretary's books in good shape and dues well paid up. I made a second visit to this lodge at a later date and was very favorably impressed by the manner in which the W.M. and his officers did their degree work.

I visited St. John's Lodge No. 209a, London, on February 2nd. The W.M. and officers initiated two candidates. The work was well done and all officers acted as if they had spent considerable time in rehearsals. This is one of the strongest lodges in the district and is well officered for the year. The work done by the Secretary is also of the best. Bro. Keenleyside is one of the most untiring Secretaries in this district. The amount of dues shown in the statistical report of this lodge is somewhat misleading, as the dues are paid half-yearly and not in advance, consequently are paid after this report reaches Grand Lodge. There were many prominent visiting brethren on this occasion.

I visited Union No. 380, London, on February 12th.—W. Bro. Somerville and officers conferred the first degree. I was very much pleased with the work; it being almost the best that I have seen in the district. The constitutional charge was beautifully given by W. Bro. Moran. This was one of the most pleasant evenings I have spent and I felt that the excellent work was very gratifying, not only to me, but also to the many brethren who had the pleasure of witnessing the same.

I visited St. David's Lodge No. 302, St. Thomas, on February 15th, 1912. Owing to the illness of W. Bro. Stevenson, the chair was occupied by a P.M. The degree work, exemplified for my benefit, was well done and this lodge is one of the strongest in the district. I was informed that, at the election of officers there is always a keen contest for junior offices, and, in my opinion this is fortunate, as they have a fine set of officers.

The books are splendidly kept by Bro. Lewis and he informed me that the W. Master and officers, are making strenuous efforts to wipe out their portion of the Semi-

Centennial. On this occasion I had the pleasure of presenting R. W. Bro. J. E. Spencer with the Grand Lodge regalia.

I visited St. John's No. 20, London, on March 12th, and had a very hearty reception from officers and brethren. W. Bro. Gidley W.M. conferred the second degree and the work was exceptionally good. The Secretary's books are well kept. The only fault I had to find, was that there was too great an amount of unpaid dues on books. I spoke strongly on the matter and advised the W.M. to suspend delinquents if they did not pay immediately. This is the oldest lodge in London District and has always been well to the front in Masonic matters. There was a large attendance of visiting brethren.

I visited Kilwinning No. 64, London, March 15th, 1912, and was received in a very hearty manner by the brethren. The work of the evening was the conferring of the second degree and I complimented the officers on the manner in which they did their work, although they showed at times a slight hesitancy, which was due to the fact, that this was the first time they had conferred the degree. The Secretary's books are in good shape and the dues are nearly all paid up to date.

I visited Henderson Lodge No. 388, Ilderton, March 25th, 1912, W. Bro. Chatworthy in the chair. He opened and closed the lodge in the three degrees, to my entire satisfaction. Quite a number of visitors were present and we spent a very pleasant hour in fraternal intercourse at the close of the meeting. The Secretary, W. Bro. Robson, keeps the books and on examination. I found them exceptionally well kept.

I visited King Solomon Lodge No. 394, Thamesford, March 27th, 1912. W. Bro. W. B. Leslie occupied the chair and he was ably assisted in the degree work by his officers. I have nothing but praise for, not only the officers, who exemplify the work; but also for the Secretary, who had one of the best kept set of books in the district.

I visited Delaware Valley Lodge No. 358, Delaware, on March 29th, 1912. I was given a very hearty welcome by the W.M. officers and brethren of this lodge

and was well satisfied with the work of the evening. The books are now in the hands of W. Bro. John Hammond and the lodge has to be congratulated on his election to this important office. I spoke very strongly regarding the large amount still unpaid to the Semi-Centennial Fund. I also recommended that the Secretary read the report on benevolence, so that every member would be conversant with the grants made by Grand Lodge. I also referred to the rulings made by the M.W., the Grand Master.

I visited Tuscan Lodge No. 195, London, on April 1st, 1912 W. Bro. Whitwam being in the chair. He and the officers of the lodge are to be congratulated on their excellent work. The Secretary's books are also in splendid order and and I think this lodge has a very bright future before it

I visited St Mark's Lodge No. 94, Port Stanley, on April 9th, and received a very hearty reception from the W. Master and officers of the lodge who opened and closed in the three degrees in a very capable manner. This lodge is suffering at the present time, from a severe attack of inertia. I spoke to the brethren regarding their slight differences, which are having such a serious effect on the welfare of the lodge and I expressed my sympathy for them and also hope that these might disappear in the near future.

I visited Prince of Wales Lodge No. 171, Lawrence Station, on April 26th, the chair being occupied by the Master W. Bro. Turner, who was ably assisted by his officers in the work of the evening. The books of the lodge are carefully kept by Bro. Galbraith and the future of the lodge looks very promising. Here I had the pleasure of meeting a great many old friends, not only members of this lodge; but visiting brethren from the surrounding district.

I visited Mount Olivet Lodge No. 300, Thorndale, on April 30th, 1912. R.W. Bro. R. Guest occupied the chair, he having been elected to that position. This is, in my opinion, an unfortunate circumstance, as it would lead me to think that the younger members are unwilling to assume the responsibility of ruling the lodge. There also appears to be a lack of unity amongst the brethren. This is to be regretted, as they have, at the present time,

one of the most beautiful Masonic homes in the district. It is to be hoped that this slight under-current may early be removed and that Mount Olivet Lodge will assume a more desirable position in the district.

I visited Middlesex Lodge, No. 379, Bryanston, on May 1st, W. Bro. Roberts occupying the chair in the absence of the W.M., W. Bro. Kenny. There being no degree work, I spoke at considerable length to the brethren on Masonic matters generally and the Semi-Centennial Fund in particular, and I am pleased to say that my remarks have been fruitful, as W. Bro. Kenny has made a personal canvass and collected about half of what is required on their quota. There were a number of visiting brethren present from the district around Bryanston and spent a very pleasant evening.

I visited Malahide Lodge No. 140, Aylmer, on May 29th, 1912. W. Bro. McGregor was in the chair and was ably assisted by his officers in the degree work of the evening. The books of the lodge are splendidly kept by W. Bro. Woods. This is one of the rural lodges which holds its own with any of those in the larger centres, both in degree work and otherwise, and prospects are very encouraging.

I visited Doric Lodge No. 289, Lobo, on May 30th. The chair was occupied by W. Bro. Oliver in the absence of the W.M. The degree work was exemplified in an excellent manner; but it was unfortunate that the Master was not present as it is always desirable for the D.D. G.M. to witness the degree work done by that officer, and owing to the distance from the city, I was unable to make a second visit. This being my last official visit, the brethren turned out in large numbers apparently to witness the closing of my year, or it may be that the fame of Doric Lodge for its hospitality was the attraction.

The brethren of the city of London are not only doing good work within the lodge room but have undertaken to build a new home for themselves on Queen's Avenue, the corner stone of which was laid on June 24th by M.W. Bro. E. T. Malone, the Grand Treasurer, acting for and on behalf of the M.W., The Grand Master, whose illness prevented him from attending. It is fully

expected that they will be in their new quarters before the end of the year.

In conclusion, I have endeavored not to burden my report with incidents that are of little moment to the actual condition of Masonry, but have submitted what I consider are of essential interest to the Grand Lodge and the Craft generally.

In concluding my report, I beg to acknowledge with gratitude, the honour of being elected as District Deputy Grand Master for the year which has now passed. I cherish the fondest memories of the courtesy and brotherly love shown me in all my official visits throughout the district and thank the brethren who, by their congenial companionship and wise counsel, have aided me in making my duties both pleasant and, I believe, profitable to the several lodges under my official care.

I trust that the brevity of my report, will not be taken to indicate that Masonic enthusiasm was lacking, or that I may be charged with ignorance of the general condition of Masonry, within this district, for the brethren of District No. 3, can with few exceptions, proudly boast of harmony and prosperity, and a good fraternal spirit seems to be present everywhere.

Fraternally submitted,

J. H. WILSON, D.D.G.M.

London District No. 3.

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.
Table Shewing the Work Done in London District No. 3, from June 24th, 1911, to June 24th, 1912.

No. of Lodge	Name of Lodge	Location	Mem- bers'ip		Degr's Conf'd		Affiliations	Restorations	Resignations	Suspensions, N.P.D.	Suspensions, other causes	Meet's held		Aver. atten'ce of members	Amount paid for relief	No. mem. 12 mths in arrears	Total of all arrearages	Date of last G. L. Return	Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W. M. work all degrees	Insurance		
			Increase during year	Decrease during year	E. A.	F. C.						M. M.	Regular										Emergent	Total
20 St. John's...	London	London	268	9	14	14	14	2	3	4	2	11	718	82	206	60	6	65	00	Jan. 9, '11	Good	Yes \$3400 ft.		
42 St. George's...	London	London	172	4	6	6	9	1	3	4	2	10	3	13	35	...	40	60	00	June 24, '11	Good	Yes		
44 St. Thomas...	St. Thomas	St. Thomas	338	15	14	12	19	12	7	1	3	14	15	29	49	75	00	43	158	25	Dec. 27, '11	Good	Yes 2000 ft.	
64 Kilwinning	London	London	230	5	8	9	12	2	1	1	2	11	3	14	35	107	00	...	...	June 27, '12	Good	Yes	
94 St. Mark's...	Port Stanley	Port Stanley	70	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	11	11	11	10	...	10	31	00	Dec. 27, '11	Good	Yes 200 00	
107 St. Paul's...	Lambeth	Lambeth	66	3	5	6	4	...	1	1	...	11	3	14	25	00	4	...	...	June 24, '11	Good	Yes 2000 00	
120 Warren	Fingal	Fingal	53	3	5	3	2	...	1	1	...	10	3	13	10	...	17	42	00	Dec. 27, '11	Fair	Yes		
140 Malahide	Aylmer	Aylmer	119	10	1	5	3	4	...	1	...	13	3	16	38	50	00	4	60	00	Dec. 27, '11	Good	Yes 1000 00	
171 Prince Wales	Lawrence Stat'n	Lawrence Stat'n	46	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10	10	15	10	9	41	70	...	July 1, '12	Good	Yes 100 00	
190 Belmont	Belmont	Belmont	88	3	8	5	3	...	...	...	...	13	3	16	26	...	21	173	85	Dec. 27, '11	Good	No 800 00	
195 Tuscan	London	London	112	7	8	7	10	2	1	9	5	14	19	45	50	1	52	50	Dec. 27, '11	Good	Yes
209 St. John's...	London	London	339	2	15	14	9	...	4	1	...	7	11	8	19	50	113	65	34	434	50	June 29, '12	Good	Yes 400 00
232 Cameron	Dutton	Dutton	71	6	4	4	4	1	...	...	...	2	11	11	16	25	00	42	78	00	Dec. 27, '11	Good	Yes
289 Doric	Lobo	Lobo	56	8	2	2	5	1	...	...	...	1	13	1	14	15	...	15	63	00	Dec. 27, '11	Good	Yes
300 Mt. Olivet...	Thorndale	Thorndale	55	2	2	2	3	1	...	...	...	1	13	1	14	15	25	00	...	...	May 29, '12	Fair	Yes 3000 00
302 St. David's...	St. Thomas	St. Thomas	283	37	32	23	18	5	2	3	4	1	13	18	31	35	34	50	80	322	00	Dec. 27, '11	Good	Yes 2000 ft.
330 Corinthian	London	London	191	15	12	15	13	13	1	3	9	2	13	5	18	50	167	00	60	200	00	Dec. 27, '11	Good	Yes
344 Merrill	Dorchester	Dorchester	47	1	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	13	4	17	15	...	4	...	...	Jan. 4, '12	Fair	Yes
345 Nilestown	Nilestown	Nilestown	65	4	4	3	1	...	3	2	...	12	12	18	50	00	100	00	...	...	Dec. 27, '11	Good	Yes 850 00
358 Delaware Val	Delaware	Delaware	65	5	2	4	5	1	1	12	1	13	17	20	00	15	38	00	Dec. 27, '11	Good	Yes 900 00
378 King Solo'on	London	London	187	15	10	14	12	1	1	1	8	1	11	9	20	50	40	00	14	50	00	Dec. 30, '11	Good	Yes
379 Middlesex	Bryanston	Bryanston	45	2	2	2	1	...	1	1	...	10	1	11	14	5	00	10	50	00	Dec. 27, '11	Good	Yes 250 00	
380 Union	London	London	248	18	26	25	30	1	3	11	6	17	42	127	90	60	241	00	Dec. 27, '11	Good	Yes
388 Henderson	Uderton	Uderton	46	3	3	2	1	...	4	2	...	...	11	1	12	14	...	12	85	00	Feb. 19, '12	Fair	Yes
394 King Solo'on	Thamesford	Thamesford	84	1	4	1	4	3	12	2	14	21	57	00	6	37	50	Dec. 27, '11	Good	Yes 2100 00
399 Moffatt	Harrietsville	Harrietsville	47	1	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	1	12	2	14	15	...	5	18	25	Dec. 27, '11	Good	No

SOUTH HURON DISTRICT No. 4.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario:

MOST WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BRETHREN:

It is with pleasure I present to you my report of the condition of Masonry in South Huron District No. 4, and in doing so I wish to thank all the brethren of the district for their kindness to me during my term of office. They have given loyal support to all my endeavors to improve the condition of Masonry. With respect to Masonry in the district, would say it is with feelings of pride I refer to it. All is peace, harmony and brotherly love, each lodge doing its best in its own quiet way to further the interests of our noble order. The work has been of a high standard and the members added during the year have been of excellent quality, showing that a careful selection has been made on all occasions. A small number of the lodges in the district not having paid their full quota to the Semi-Centennial Fund, I took this very important matter up with them by letter and at their meetings, and am pleased to report that I met with considerable success.

VISITATIONS.

New Dominion Lodge No. 205, New Hamburg.—I visited this lodge on October 9th, and had a splendid meeting. The W.M., W. Bro. Ireland, was in the chair, and, with his officers, exemplified the first degree. The lodge room and the outer rooms have been recently renovated, and the members are to be congratulated on their efforts to keep Masonry up to a high standard. This was my first visit in the district, and New Dominion gave me a right royal welcome.

Elma Lodge No. 456, Monkton.—I visited this lodge on November 30th, and had an exceptionally good attendance. Nearly every member was present, as well as a goodly number of visitors from Listowel and Milverton. W. Bro. Golightly conferred the second degree in a very able manner. After I gave some instructions on the work of the three degrees, the lodge was closed.

Clinton Lodge No. 84, Clinton.—I visited this lodge on November 10th, and was greeted by an excellent attendance, no less than fourteen Past Masters of the lodge being present, and I received a very cordial welcome. W. Bro. Tozer, the W.M., was in the chair, and performed the work of the evening in a very capable manner. Clinton Lodge has a very efficient Secretary, in the person of Bro. H. B. Chant, and it was very pleasing to notice, in looking over his neatly-kept books, that there was only one brother in arrears. I am pleased to report that this lodge has almost paid its full quota to the Semi-Centennial Fund, and by the time Grand Lodge convenes I hope the entire amount will be wiped out. On June 24th I again visited Clinton Lodge, in response to a most pressing invitation by W. Bro. Tozer, for the purpose of installing the officers for the ensuing year. From the excellent manner in which the newly-installed Master, W. Bro. Gould, and his officers acquitted themselves in closing the lodge, I am led to believe that Clinton Lodge will have a very prosperous and harmonious future. I feel that I cannot close my report of this lodge without a reference to W. Bro. Tozer, the retiring Master. During the past year he has given me all the assistance I could desire in promoting the interests of Masonry, in his lodge and otherwise.

Zurich Lodge No. 224, Hensall.—On December 4th I visited this lodge and received a most cordial welcome by the brethren. W. Bro. Wren and his officers conferred the first degree on an excellent candidate, in a very efficient manner. The lodge was also opened and closed with the same correctness as characterized the degree work. I gave the members a short talk, in which I conveyed to them the instructions as laid down by Grand Lodge.

Doric Lodge No. 233, Parkhill.—I visited this lodge on January 30th. W. Bro. Mahon and his officers conferred the first degree in a very pleasing manner. I gave the brethren a short address on the work and the Semi-Centennial Fund.

Blyth Lodge No. 303, Blyth.—I visited this lodge on February 6th. There was a very large attendance, every available seat in the commodious lodge room

being taken. On this visit I had the pleasure of meeting R.W. Bro. Jackson, Grand Junior Warden of the Grand Lodge of Alberta. W. Bro. Beacom and his officers worked the first degree in an able manner. I must congratulate them upon their proficiency, especially considering that this was their first meeting after installation.

Stratford Lodge No. 332, Stratford.—I visited this lodge on February 12th, and was accorded a hearty reception by a large gathering of the brethren. W. Bro. F. G. Killer, the W.M., was in the chair, and with his officers conferred the first degree in an excellent manner. The lodge has considerable work on hand, and is doing its share towards keeping up the standard of Masonry. The lodge is fortunate to have for its Secretary Bro. F. J. Scarff. His books are models and are always up-to-date. The W.M. is making a strenuous effort to have all arrears paid into the treasury, so as to place the lodge on a good financial basis. W. Bro. Killer is to be congratulated on the success of this meeting. It was conceded to be one of the best meetings the lodge had held for some time, and will no doubt stimulate the brethren to exert themselves to further the interests of Masonry.

Irving Lodge No. 154, Lucan.—I visited this lodge on February 29th, and had a very pleasant and profitable meeting. A large number of visitors were present from other lodges. W. Bro. H. J. Hodgins was in the chair, and with his officers worked the first degree in a pleasing manner. This lodge has not paid its full quota to the Semi-Centennial Fund, but the officers assured me that they were working hard to pay off the full amount. Irving Lodge has an efficient Secretary in the person of Bro. C. K. Haskett. His books are kept in a neat, business-like manner, and there is no doubt that the funds of the lodge will be well looked after. At the conclusion of the degree work I had the pleasure, on behalf of the lodge, of presenting W. Bro. H. A. McEwen with a P.M.'s jewel, as a token of appreciation for valuable services rendered.

Maitland Lodge No. 33, Goderich.—I visited this lodge on March 12th. W. Bro. Dunlop, W.M., was in the chair, and with his officers worked the second de-

gree in a very capable manner. A very pleasing feature of the ceremony was the work of the Masonic Quartette. Their musical selections were well rendered and enjoyed very much by myself and the other brethren present. W. Bro. Dunlop is an excellent officer, and will no doubt rule his lodge wisely and well. He is surrounded by a good staff of officers. The Secretary, Bro. Straiton, has a model set of books, and it would be hard to find a more efficient Secretary in the jurisdiction. The funds of the lodge are in a good shape, the dues being well paid up. A new Masonic Temple is under construction, and when it is completed Maitland Lodge will have one of the best equipped lodge rooms in the west.

Tudor Lodge No. 141, Mitchell.—I visited this lodge on March 26th, and received a cordial reception from the brethren. The W.M., W. Bro. Stringer, was in the East, and exemplified the first degree in a well-finished manner. With several skilful P.Ms. to give instruction to the members, Tudor Lodge will always be in good shape. I found the finances well looked after by the genial Secretary, Bro. A. J. Blowes.

Granton Lodge No. 483, Granton.—On December 28th, acting under special dispensation, I had the pleasure of installing and investing the officers of this lodge. On April 1st I officially visited the lodge, and was greeted by a good attendance. W. Bro. Raycroft and his officers initiated a candidate in an able manner. I gave some instructions to the members, which I trust will be of service to Masoury. Granton Lodge is in an excellent condition, and has been exceptionally busy during the past six months, a number of new members having been added to the roll. This meeting was one of the most pleasant and enthusiastic that I had in the district.

Tecumseh Lodge No. 144, Stratford.—On April 19th I visited this lodge, and was greeted by an exceptionally large number of the members and visitors. W. Bro. F. A. Copus was in the East, surrounded by about fourteen well-skilled P.Ms. This being my own lodge, it is with feelings of diffidence I report thereon, but to be just to the W.M. and the members, I must give the conditions as I found them. Tecumseh Lodge is an excellent exemplification of what a good lodge is, and

can do—strong financially, as well as numerically. A great many acts of charity and kindness have been performed during the past, and I have no hesitation in saying that this lodge cannot be excelled by any other under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge. I received a very cordial reception from the W.M. and the brethren. After the general business of the evening was concluded the lodge was opened in the third degree, and a candidate, who had been faultlessly prepared, as his examination proved, was raised to the sublime degree of a M.M. by Bro. Copus and his officers. The work was exemplified in a perfect manner. There was not a weak spot in the staff, from the Tyler to the I.P.M., Bro. Lawson, who gave the final charge in an impressive manner.

St. James' Lodge No. 73 and St. Mary's Lodge No. 493, St. Mary's.—On December 27th I attended a joint meeting of these lodges and installed and invested their officers for the ensuing term. On April 26th I officially visited both lodges at a joint meeting. W. Bro. W. C. Tracy, W.M. of St. James' Lodge, and his officers conferred the first degree in an able manner. W. Bro. L. J. Constable, W.M. of St. Mary's Lodge, and his officers then occupied the chairs and exemplified the third degree very efficiently, fully upholding the standard obtained by St. Mary's Lodge for putting on good work.

Milverton Lodge No. 478, Milverton.—I visited this lodge on April 29th, and was very cordially received. W. Bro. Guenther, the W.M., was in the chair, and after balloting on five candidates, he and his officers initiated one of them in a capable manner. Bro. J. G. Hamilton gave the lecture in the South in a manner that would be hard to excel. A large number of brethren from Elma Lodge, Monkton, were present.

Morning Star Lodge No. 309, Carlow.—I visited this lodge on May 1st. There being no work for the evening, the W.M., W. Bro. Young, opened and closed the lodge in the various degrees, after which we enjoyed a very profitable hour and a half in discussing the work. I also made an earnest appeal to the lodge to pay into Grand Lodge their full quota of the Semi-Centennial Fund.

Wilmot Lodge No. 318, Baden.—I visited this lodge on May 3rd, and received a cordial welcome. W. Bro. Waugh and his officers exemplified the first degree. Many visitors were present from surrounding lodges in the district.

Britannia Lodge No. 170, Seaforth.—I visited this lodge on May 6th and had an excellent meeting. W. Bro. Case was in the chair, and conferred the second degree in an able manner on a well-prepared candidate. This lodge is to be congratulated on the good work it is doing. Not only has the full quota to the Semi-Centennial Fund been paid, but the local fund has been kept open, and at the time of my visit a further sum had been collected, and would be forwarded to Grand Lodge in due time. The finances of the lodge are well looked after by W. Bro. L. C. Jackson.

Lebanon Forest Lodge No. 133, Exeter.—I visited this lodge on May 27th. The W.M., W. Bro. Sanders, and his officers exemplified the first degree, and demonstrated that they are quite capable of putting on the work as laid down by Grand Lodge. This is an excellent lodge, and although the membership has not increased during the year, the principles of Freemasonry have been carried out. The W.M. is ably supported by many well-skilled P.Ms. The Secretary, W. Bro. Heaman, has the finances of the lodge in good shape.

In concluding my report, I wish to again thank all the brethren of the district for their kindness and courtesy to me during my term of office, and for the abundant hospitality which I received at their hands. In laying down the gavel of authority I feel that I am officially severing a much-prized connection with a great many true Masonic friends, with whom my fraternal relations have been of a most cordial nature. The district is in a healthy, prosperous and harmonious condition, and it is with feelings of confidence that I hand it over to my successor, knowing full well that he will receive a loyal welcome and support from the members.

Fraternally submitted,

S. J. MALLION, D.D.G.M.,
South Huron District No. 4.

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.
 Table Shewing the Work Done in South Huron District No. 4, from June 24th, 1911, to June 24th, 1912.

No. of Lodge	Name of Lodge	Location	Mem- bership		Total No. of all Mem.	Increase during year		Decrease during year		Degr's Conf'd	Affiliations		Restorations	Resignations	Suspensions, N.P.D.	Suspensions, other causes	Deceased	Meet- ings held			Aver. atten- ce of members	Amount paid for relief	No. mem. 12 mths in arrears	Total of all arrears	Date of last G. L. Return	Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W. M. work all degrees	Insurance
			Total	Emergent		Regular	Emergent	Total																					
233	Maitland	Goderich	165	8		17	19				1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
73	St. James	St. Mary's	96	5		1	5				1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
84	Clinton	Clinton	89	9		1	7				1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
133	Lebanon For.	Exeter	101			1	1				1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
141	Tudor	Mitchell	65			7	9				1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
144	Tecumseh	Stratford	239	13		12	20				1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
154	Irving	Lucan	86	6		5	5				1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
170	Britannia	Seaford	108	1		1	3				1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
205	N. Dominion	New Hamburg	40	1		1	1				1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
224	Zurich	Hensall	78	1		1	1				1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
223	Dorle	Parkhill	67	6		1	1				1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
303	Blyth	Blyth	63	1		1	1				1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
309	Morn. Star	Carlow	51	1		1	3				1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
318	Wilmot	Raden	28	1		1	2				1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
332	Stratford	Stratford	170	6		12	10				1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
456	Elma	Monkton	53	2		1	1				1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
478	Milverton	Milverton	65	6		8	6				1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
483	Granton	Granton	40	9		8	8				1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
493	St. Mary's	St. Mary's	56			3	3				1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

NORTH HURON DISTRICT No. 5

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario:

MOST WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BRETHREN:

I have the honour to submit my report on the condition of Masonry in this district, and in doing so I think it is my first duty to express sincere thanks to the brethren of North Huron District for the honour they have done me in electing me to that high and honourable office.

I have endeavored during the year to discharge the duties to the best of my skill and ability and to merit the confidence so generously given to me. I am deeply indebted to the Past Masters of the different lodges for their assistance and also the Past D.D.G.Ms. for their advice and instruction.

I visited each lodge in the district at least once, and, with two exceptions, at regular meetings. I also installed the officers in two lodges.

Early in the year I proposed holding a Lodge of Instruction. Forest Lodge, Chesley, kindly offered the use of their hall, and R.W. Bro. Ferguson was asked to assist. The lodge was opened in the first degree by Forest Lodge No. 393, Chesley, W. Bro. Smellie and officers doing the work of the degree.

Aldworth Lodge No. 235, Paisley, opened in the second degree and exemplified the degree, W. Bro. Collins and his officers doing the work.

Hanover Lodge No. 432, Hanover, opened in the third degree. W. Bro. Magee and his officers exemplified the degree.

The different lodges did their work in a most excellent manner, and for the benefit of those present, R.W. Bro. Ferguson exemplified a Board of Trial. It was a very successful meeting and I have no doubt that the lodges present were greatly benefited.

Hanover.—I visited Hanover Lodge No. 432 on

October 6th, 1911 and received an enthusiastic welcome. Owing to the inclemency of the weather the attendance was not very large. W. Bro. Magee and his officers exemplified the second degree in a very creditable manner, all the officers doing good work. The books are kept in excellent shape by the Secretary, W. Bro. Coppinger. The finances are in good shape, very few members in arrears. The prospects of the lodge are good.

Paisley.—Aldworth Lodge No. 235 was visited on December 1st, 1911. There was a good turnout of members and visitors, including W. Bro. Loughleen, and several members of Cargill. W. Bro. Collins opened and closed the lodge in the three degrees, and conferred the second degree on a very well prepared candidate. W. Bro. Grant gave the charge in a very impressive manner, all the officers doing their work well. As there was a small amount due the Semi-Centennial Fund I urged the W.M. to have this paid, and was informed that the balance would be paid before the end of the year, which has been done. Bro. Steele has been appointed Secretary and is making a vigorous campaign to have the arrears of dues collected, and the finances put in good shape.

I also visited this lodge on June 28th, 1912, and installed the officers. There was a very large attendance and the lodge is in a flourishing condition.

Wroxeter.—Forest Lodge No. 162 was visited on December 4th, 1911. Received a very hearty welcome from the officers and members. The work of the evening was the third degree, which was conferred in a manner not up to the standard of some of the other lodges in the district. I think the work in this lodge would be improved if the officers were more particular and spent more time in preparing the work. I called the attention of the members to the arrears in the Semi-Centennial Fund and they promised to make a payment before the next Grand Lodge Meeting. R.W. Bro. Brown as Secretary has a neat set of books. The lodge has very comfortable quarters, and the finances are in good shape.

St. John's Lodge No. 284, Brussels.—I visited this lodge on December 5th, 1911. This being my mother

lodge it afforded me great pleasure to meet a number of the members who had assisted when I was a Mason. There was a good attendance of members including seven P.Ms. W. Bro. Harris opened and closed in the three degrees. W. Bro. Black assisted by W. Bro. Bishop raised a candidate to the sublime degree of a M.M.. The work was done in a manner which showed that the different officers had given great care in preparation.

Cargill.—Moravian Lodge No. 431.—I visited this lodge on February 7th, 1912. The Grand Lodge having given permission to move the lodge from Eden Grove to Cargill. I found the new lodge room very conveniently located and nicely furnished. There was a very good attendance of members including some members from Walkerton, Teeswater and Chesley. W. Bro. Loughleen opened and closed in the three degrees, and passed a candidate to the second degree. The work showed a lack of practice, but I expect to see an improvement now, as the officers are enthusiastic, and the lodge room more conveniently located. The books are in good shape but, owing to expense in moving, the finances are low. However, they have reduced their subscription to the Semi-Centennial Fund and expect to wipe out the balance before Grand Lodge meets.

Wingham Lodge No. 286, Wingham.—I visited this lodge on February 6th, 1912. There was a large attendance and this lodge has become one of the most active and enthusiastic in the district. The work is put on in a very impressive manner. Four candidates were initiated, and they also had two applications for affiliation. R.W. Bro. Morton has charge of the books, and a better Secretary it would be hard to find. Taking a keen interest in Masonry, his influence is observed in the strict manner in which the work of the lodge is performed. W. Bro. Campbell and his officers performed their work very satisfactorily. They have a comfortable and well furnished lodge room and the prospects of the lodge are good.

Saugeen Lodge No. 197, Walkerton.—I visited this lodge on 13th February, 1912. The work of the evening was the second and third degree which was conferred on two well prepared candidates. The work in the second degree was done by W. Bro. Douglas and his

officers, and in the third the W.M. was assisted by R.W. Bros. Clarke and Harris, who conferred the degrees in a very impressive manner. The Secretary, Bro. Thompson has the books very neatly kept, and the finances of the lodge are in good shape. The lodge room is very convenient and nicely furnished and the lodge is in a very prosperous condition.

Tiverton.—Bruce Lodge No. 341 was visited on February 27th, 1912. The work of the evening was the second degree. W. Bro. Whennie and his officers conferred the degree in a very able manner. The Secretary, Bro. McLaren, is a very efficient officer, and keeps the books very neatly. Very few members are in arrears for dues. Bruce Lodge own their own hall, and it is very neat and well furnished. It was my pleasant duty to present W. Bro. McLean with a P.M.'s jewel from the lodge for the able manner in which he filled the chair during his term of office. The finances are in good shape and the prospects of the lodge are excellent.

Kincardine.—Northern Light Lodge No. 93 was visited on February 28th, 1912. This being an emergency meeting, the attendance was not as large as it would have been ordinarily, but considering the circumstances, we had a fair turnout of members, and a more enthusiastic lot of Masons it would be hard to find. As there was no work ready the lodge was opened and closed in the three degrees, and W. Bro. Morrison and his officers exemplified the first degree in a very impressive manner. Northern Light is one of the largest lodges in the district, and under the present officers will hold their position during 1912. R.W. Bro. McPherson is one of the most exacting Secretaries in the district. The lodge is in good financial standing, very little arrears of dues, and the prospects are good.

Lucknow.—Old Light Lodge No. 184, was visited 29th February, 1912. There was a large turnout of members and a very successful meeting was held. The work of the evening was a second degree which was performed in a very satisfactory manner. While W. Bro. McIntosh and his officers were only installed in December they will do good work before their term expires. R. W. Bro. Patterson gave the charge in a very impressive manner. The examination of visiting bro-

ther was exemplified. W. Bro. McLeod makes an excellent Secretary and the lodge is in good financial standing.

Chesley.—Forest Lodge No. 393, was visited on March 26th, 1912. There was a good turnout of members present. W. Bro. Lamont and his officers opened and closed in the three degrees, and conferred the third degree on a well prepared candidate. W. Bro. Neelans makes a good Secretary. The finances of the lodge are in good shape and the prospects are good.

Teeswater.—Teeswater Lodge No. 276, was visited on March 28th, 1912. W. Bro. Fowler and his officers opened and closed in the three degrees and conferred the third degree, all the officers doing their work in excellent manner. The attendance at the meeting was very large and the members were enthusiastic. W. Bro. Campbell is a very efficient Secretary, the books are neatly kept and the dues well paid up. The lodge is very comfortably quartered and the prospects are good.

Fordwich.—Fordwich Lodge No. 331, was visited on 29th March, 1912. This being an emergency meeting, and the condition of the roads bad, I was surprised to find so many present, some having driven eight miles to attend meeting, which speaks well for their enthusiasm. The lodge was opened and closed in the three degrees, and the first degree was conferred on a candidate. The officers doing the work in a very efficient manner. R.W. Bro. Hutchison is Secretary and has the book work well in hand. The dues are well collected and the prospects of the lodge are good.

Tara.—Maple Leaf Lodge No. 362, was visited on 1st April, 1912. There was a splendid turnout of members and the reception given to me was most enthusiastic. The work of the evening was the first and second degrees. W. Bro. McAsh taking the first degree and I.P.M. Collins doing the second. The lodge has an excellent set of officers, and the work could not be improved on. I expect to get good reports from Tara during the year. The books are well looked after by Bro. Briggs. They have a splendid lodge room; financial standing is good, and prospects are excellent.

Burns Lodge No. 436, Hepworth.—I visited this

lodge on the 2nd April, 1912. This is the youngest lodge in the district and has also the smallest membership, but the members are active and enthusiastic and work is well put on. W. Bro. Reid opened and closed in the three degrees, and conferred the second degree on a candidate. In a lodge with so small a membership the finances are very difficult to keep adjusted but Hepworth is free from debt and has a small balance to the good. There is a small amount due the Semi-Centennial Fund which will be reduced, if not all paid, before the end of the year. W. Bro. J. E. Campbell is a very efficient Secretary and has the books neatly kept and the dues well collected.

Bernard Lodge No. 225, Listowel.—I visited this lodge April 26th, 1912. This is one of the largest lodges in the district and has always held a good record for proficiency in the work and W. Bro. Blackmore and his officers are doing good work. There was a large turnout of members who are enthusiastic and the prospects of the lodge are very bright. The books are very capably looked after by R. W. Bro. Foster. I took up the Semi Centennial Fund with the Master and Secretary who are making every effort to wipe out their quota, which I understand has since been done. The lodge is in good financial standing, over \$300.00 deposited in the Savings Bank Account, besides a current account of over \$100.00.

Wiarton.—Cedar Lodge No. 396, was visited April 30th, 1912. There was a large turnout of members. W. Bro. Heuther and his officers did their work in a most perfect manner. The second degree was conferred on three candidates, and the preparation of the candidates was very thorough. Bro. Foster, Secretary, makes a very efficient officer. The lodge is in good financial standing and the prospects are good. Owing to the removal of W. Bro. Ferguson to Victoria, the lodge has sustained a great loss. The members presented a P.M.'s apron to him, R.W. Bro. Walmsley making the presentation, and eulogising R.W. Bro. Ferguson for his devotion to Masonry in general and Cedar Lodge in particular. There being a balance due to the Semi-Centennial Benevolent Fund I took the matter up with the W.M., who promised to have the arrears wiped out before the end of the year.

Southampton.—St. Lawrence Lodge No. 131, was visited on May 7th, 1912. Owing to the fact that a number of the members are sailors and fishermen the attendance was not as large as it would have been before navigation opened. However, about 20 members were in attendance. W. Bro. Huber does his work well, but, as a whole, it was not as well done as in some of the other lodges, owing to some of the officers being away. The brethren expressed their sympathy with the relations of the late Past Master, Bro. Logie, who was drowned the previous week. The finances of the lodge are in good shape, they own their own lodge room, and W. Bro. McAulay makes a very efficient Secretary.

Port Elgin.—Port Elgin Lodge No. 429 was visited on May 30th, 1912. The attendance was very good, the lodge is in a very healthy condition, and has a very neat and well-furnished lodge room. The work was well done. The lodge was opened and closed in the three degrees, and the third degree was exemplified. Bro. Dougherty is very proficient as Secretary, the finances of the lodge are in good shape, and the prospects excellent.

In conclusion permit me to thank the brethren of the district for the honour conferred upon me and Forest Lodge in electing me D.D.G.M., and for the courteous manner in which I have invariably been received and entertained on my official visits.

Fraternally submitted,

W. T. ROSS, D.D.G.M.
North Huron District No. 5.

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.
Table Shewing the Work Done in North Huron District No. 5, from June 24th, 1911, to June 24th, 1912.

No. of Lodge	Name of Lodge	Location	Total No. of all Mem.		Mem- bers'ip		Degr's (Conf'd)		Affiliations		Resignations	Suspensions, N.P.D.	Suspensions, other causes	Meet's held			Aver. atten'ce of members	Amount paid for relief	No. mem. 12 m'ths in arrears	Total of all arrears	Date of last G. L. Return	Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W. M. work all degrees	Insurance
			Increase during year	Decrease during year	E. A.	F. C.	M. M.	Regular	Emergency	Total															
93	Nor. Light	Kincardine	113	7	5	5	4	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	20 00	6	\$13 50	Dec. 27, '11	Good	Excell't	Yes	\$1850 00
131	St. Lawrence	Southampton	76	3	4	3	3	3	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	27 25	15	85 00	Dec. 27, '11	Good	Good	No	2900 00
162	Forest	Wroxeter	45	3	3	3	3	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	15 00	35	120 25	Dec. 27, '11	Good	Fair	Yes	200 00
184	Old Light	Lacknow	109	2	3	3	3	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	10 50	10	58 00	Dec. 27, '11	Good	Good	Yes	300 00
197	Saugen	Walkerton	65	1	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	61 00	11	58 00	Dec. 27, '11	Good	Good	Yes	700 00
225	Bernard	Listowel	104	6	6	6	6	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	.....	.....	.....	June, 1912	Good	Good	Yes	300 00
235	Aldworth	Paisley	73	9	7	7	7	7	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	.....	.....	.....	June, 1912	Good	Good	Yes	300 00
276	Teeswater	Teeswater	87	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	.....	.....	.....	Mar. 26, '12	Good	Good	Yes	300 00
284	St. John's	Brussels	87	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	.....	.....	.....	Dec. 27, '11	Good	Good	Yes	300 00
286	Wingham	Wingham	100	9	12	12	12	12	3	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	10 00	10	50 00	Dec. 27, '11	Good	Good	Yes	300 00
331	Fordwich	Fordwich	42	4	4	4	4	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	20 00	10	50 00	Feb., 1912	Good	Good	Yes	300 00
341	Bruce	Tiverton	62	3	3	3	3	3	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	30 200 00	30	200 00	Feb., 1912	Good	Fair	Yes	1500 00
362	Maple Leaf	Tara	61	4	6	6	6	6	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	15 00	5	30 00	Jan. 27, '12	Good	Good	Yes	400 00
393	Forest	Chesley	52	2	6	6	6	6	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	20 70 00	20	70 00	July, 1912	Good	Good	Yes	500 00
396	Cedar	Wharton	124	4	4	4	4	4	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	216 50	3	216 50	June 30, '12	Good	Good	Yes	500 00
429	Port Elgin	Port Elgin	58	3	3	3	3	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	5 15 50	5	15 50	Jan. 10, '12	Excell't	Excell't	Yes	350 00
431	Moravian	Cargill	40	3	3	3	3	3	3	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	.....	.....	.....	June 24, '11	Fair	Fair	Yes	500 00
432	Hanover	Hanover	58	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	.....	.....	.....	June 24, '12	Good	Fair	Yes	500 00
436	Burns	Hepworth	32	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	36 25 50	3	25 50	June 24, '12	Good	Fair	Yes	400 00

WILSON DISTRICT No. 6.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario:

MOST WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BRETHREN:

I have the honour to submit for your consideration the following report on the condition of Masonry in Wilson District No. 6 for the year 1911-12.

I wish first to thank the brethren of Wilson District No. 6 for the high honour conferred upon me at the last Grand Lodge—an honour that has been highly appreciated, and one of which the responsibilities thereto attached have been deeply and fully felt by me.

I wish to express my gratitude to the brethren throughout the district for the kind, courteous and true Masonic treatment accorded me on every occasion during my term of office. I desire also to thank them for the hospitable entertainment accorded me after the meetings in every lodge, many of which were sumptuous banquets. Having made this general acknowledgment, I shall not further refer to their hospitality in reporting my visits in detail.

Masonry has been progressive for many years in this district, owing largely to the character and ability of my predecessors in office.

I have visited every lodge in the district during my term of office, and found almost invariably the work to be uniform, and the Worshipful Masters and officers filling the different offices with dignity and ability. Peace and harmony prevails, and the district is in a most prosperous condition.

I am pleased to be able to report that the lodges generally have made substantial progress, and that the numerical increase in several has been the greatest in their history.

I have endeavored to impress upon the brethren the dignity and high importance of the order, and have strongly urged them to study the principles and symbolism of the work.

SEMI-CENTENNIAL FUND.

I addressed a letter to each of the lodges in my district, urging the claims upon the lodges in the district that had not paid their full quota of the Semi-Centennial Benevolent Fund. When visiting those lodges, I endeavored to the best of my ability to explain the needs of Grand Lodge and get the brethren to realize their obligation in this matter. I am pleased to report that at the present time only four lodges in the district have not paid their full quota.

BY-LAWS.

I examined very carefully the by-laws of all the lodges in the district, and found that most of the lodges had their by-laws in good shape, and where the by-laws were not according to the constitution, I strongly advised them to revise them, which I find is now being done by the majority of the lodges in the district.

DEPARTED BRETHREN.

I regret to have the duty of reporting the removal by death of several prominent members of the Craft. R.W. Bro. W. A. Karn, P.D.D.G.M., died January 3rd, 1912, and Bro. John Odium, M.D., died June 27th, 1912, both being members of Oxford Lodge No. 76, Woodstock. The secretaries of the other lodges have omitted sending notices of their deceased members.

LODGE OF INSTRUCTION.

The third annual Lodge of Instruction for Wilson District No. 6 was held at Norwich on May 7th, under a dispensation granted to St. John's Lodge No. 104, Norwich, which was one of the largest and most representative Lodges of Instruction ever held in the district, only three lodges in the district not being represented. The brethren had the pleasure of the presence of M.W. Bro. Aubrey White, Grand Master, at both the afternoon and evening sessions. The following distinguished visitors were present: R.W. Bro. J. G. Liddell, P. D. D. G. M., Hamilton District No. 8, and the following P.D.D.G.Ms. of Wilson District No. 6: R.W. Bros. Geo. Naylor, Ingersoll; James Smiley, Paris; James Ross, Waterford; S. S. Clutton, Vienna; J. A. Messecar,

Scotland; A. W. Crysler, Delhi; V.W. Bros. Claude Mitchell, Scotland, and Alex. McGachie, Woodstock.

The Lodge was opened at 2.30 p.m. by the officers of St. John's Lodge No. 104, Norwich, with W.M. Bro. N. Haight in the chair. After reading and confirming the minutes of the previous Lodge of Instruction held at Ingersoll on May 3rd, 1911, under the direction of R.W. Bro. Geo. Naylor, the officers of St. John's Lodge No. 104, Norwich, exemplified the first degree in a very creditable manner.

At 4.30 p.m. W. Bro. Geo. A. Limage and officers of Wilson Lodge No. 113, Waterford, assumed the chairs and opened the Lodge in the second degree and exemplified the second degree and called off.

At 6.30 a banquet was held in the lecture room of the Methodist Church, when over 200 brethren were served by the Ladies' Aid of the church, which speaks well for the harmony and brotherly love that prevails between the churches and Masonic lodge.

At 8 p.m. W. Bro. Geo. Hollier and officers of King Hiram Lodge No. 78 assumed the chairs and opened in the third degree, when the Grand Master and other Grand Lodge Officers, past and present, were received with grand honours, after which W. Bro. Hollier and his officers exemplified the third degree. The officers then vacated the chairs to W. Bro. Robt. Montgomery and officers of King Solomon Lodge No. 43, Woodstock. V.W. Bro. McGachie and W. Bros. Edwards and Hodgson conducted a board of trial. The lodge was then closed in the three degrees by the officers of King Solomon's Lodge No. 43. At the close of the proceedings the D.D.G.M. took the chair and called the brethren to order, and M.W. Bro. Aubrey White, G.M., addressed the brethren in a very able manner, which was very much appreciated by all. After a few short addresses by R.W. Bros. Jas. Liddell, James Smiley and J. A. Messecar, the meeting dispersed, concluding one of the most successful gatherings ever held in the district in the points of representation, harmony and correct and impressive exemplification of the work.

OFFICIAL VISITS.

Springfield Lodge No. 259, Springfield.—I com-

menced my visits at this lodge on November 6th, 1911. The third degree was conferred in a very satisfactory manner by W. Bro. Atkins, P.M. The brethren of the lodge have the happy faculty of making all Masons, who come within their walls, feel quite at home. This is due in a great measure to the active interest taken by P.D.D.G.M. Bro. Stewart and W. Bros. Atkins and Muller. I found that the Secretary's books were well kept, and that the dues were well paid up. This is the only lodge room in the district that has not been dedicated, but as they are preparing to build a new lodge room, I thought it best to leave it until they got in their new quarters.

Plattsville Lodge No. 178, Plattsville.—I visited this lodge on December 1st, 1911. The third degree was conferred by W. Bro. Henderson, P.M., in a very creditable manner, after which I had the pleasure of installing the officers for the ensuing year. Much credit is due to the Secretary, W. Bro. Henderson, for the manner in which the books are kept, and also for the active part he takes in the welfare of this lodge. To him I must also give credit for getting this lodge to pay their full quota to the Semi-Centennial Fund.

King Hiram Lodge No. 78, Tillsonburg.—I visited this lodge on December 12th, 1911. I was pleased to see such a good number of members present. W. Bro. Geo. Hollier and the officers exemplified the second degree in such a creditable manner that it left little or no room for criticism. The election of officers for the ensuing year took place at this meeting, and the members of the lodge, to show their appreciation for the work which the W.M., W. Bro. Hollier, did during the past year, elected him to the East for the second term. I found the books well kept by W. Bro. Dr. McQueen, and financially and otherwise the lodge is in a very prosperous condition, and they have one of the finest lodges in the district.

Burford Lodge No. 106, Burford.—I visited this lodge on December 27th, 1911. I had the pleasure of installing the officers for the ensuing year; I think they will look well after the interest of the lodge. This lodge has nice comfortable rooms, and there is no reason

why it should not be one of the live lodges in the district.

Thistle Lodge No. 250, Embro.—I visited this lodge on January 4th, 1912. The officers opened and closed the lodge in the three degrees in a fairly creditable manner. As this is one of the smallest lodges in the district, and quite a few of its members are pretty well scattered, the attendance was not very large. This being the case, they found it a very hard matter to get the members living outside the district to pay their quota to the Semi-Centennial Fund. I found the books in a fairly good shape.

Norfolk Lodge No. 10, Simcoe.—I visited this lodge on January 30th, 1912. The second degree was conferred by the officers in a very creditable manner. I found the books well kept by the Secretary, and the finances of the lodge are in a good condition. They have revised their by-laws according to the constitution, and there is no reason why Masonry should not prosper in this lodge.

King Hiram Lodge No. 37, Ingersoll.—I visited this lodge on February 2nd, 1912. There was a fair attendance of members and visitors from Oxford Lodge No. 76 and King Solomon's Lodge No. 43, Woodstock. Much is due to R.W. Bro. Geo. Naylor for the harmony and prosperity of this lodge. The W.M., Bro. Crawford, and officers conferred the first degree in a very able manner, which left little room for criticism. W. Bro. Couzens of St. John's Lodge No. 104, Norwich, had the pleasure, after being out of the Master's chair for nearly thirty years, of conferring the first degree upon his son-in-law, Bro. Fred Stone, much to the pleasure of all present. I found the Secretary's books in fine shape and the lodge in good financial standing.

King Solomon's Lodge No. 43, Woodstock—I visited this lodge on February 6th, 1912. I was most cordially received by W. Bro. Montgomery, and I was pleased to see such a large number of the members of the lodge and of Oxford Lodge No. 76. There were also a large number of brethren from Oak Branch Lodge No. 261, Innerkip, and Blenheim Lodge No. 108, Princeton, and R.W. Bro. Geo. Naylor and several members from

both of the Ingersoll lodges. W. Bro. Robt. Montgomery and his officers exemplified the three degrees, accompanied by music, in a most able manner. I found the lodge in a very prosperous condition, and it has been one of the best years for Masonry in its history. The books are kept in fine shape by their able Secretary, V.W. Bro. Alex. McGachie, and the finances are in a good, prosperous condition. This is one of the progressive lodges, and if the present harmony and enthusiasm continue, as I have every reason to believe they will, they will have a great future.

St. John's Lodge No. 82, Paris—I visited this lodge on February 13th, 1912, and I was pleased to see a fair attendance of the brethren. The W.M. and officers conferred the first degree in a very able manner. The books are well kept by their very able Secretary, V.W. Bro. Buckley. I found the finances in a good condition. Harmony prevails, and prosperity is the lot of this lodge.

Wilson Lodge No. 113, Waterford.—I visited this lodge on February 28th, 1912, and I was pleased to see so many of the members present, which speaks well for the active interest taken in Masonry in the lodge. The third degree was exemplified by the W.M. and officers in a manner that left little room for criticism. I found the books well kept by their very able Secretary, Bro. Gibson, and the finances in a good healthy condition. It was a pleasure for me to see the active interest all the members took in the welfare of the lodge, and also to see that R.W. Bro. J. Ross, P. D. D. G. M., has not lost any of his zeal and interest in Masonry.

St. John's Lodge No. 104, Norwich.—I visited my mother lodge on March 6th, 1912, when I was honoured with a good attendance of members. About fifteen members of Scotland Lodge No. 193, Scotland, and the same number from Frederick Lodge No. 217, Delhi, and several from Burford Lodge No. 106, Burford, and other lodges, were also present. This was the most interesting and best attended meeting I ever saw in St. John's Lodge No. 104. W. Bro. Muirhead and officers of Scotland Lodge No. 193 conferred the first degree in a most able manner, after which I had the

pleasure of seeing the W.M., Bro. N. Haight, and the officers confer the first degree upon my brother. I must say, without fear or favor, that the work done by the officers of St. John's Lodge No. 104 is not surpassed by any lodge in the district, and I must make special mention of the W.M., W. Bro. Haight, for the able manner in which he has done his work during the year. The books are well kept by the Secretary, W. Bro. Poldon, the finances are in good condition, and with the present able officers, the prospects of St. John's Lodge No. 104 look very bright and prosperous.

Blenheim Lodge No. 108, Princeton.—I visited this lodge on March 8th, 1912. The W.M. and officers conferred the first degree, and the lecture by the J.W. Bro. Sutherland, was given in a most impressive and pleasing manner. I found the books very neatly kept by their able Secretary, W. Bro. F. Daniel, and the finances in fair shape.

Oxford Lodge No. 76, Woodstock.—I visited this lodge on March 11th, 1912, and was pleased to see a good attendance of the members of this lodge, and also King Solomon's Lodge No. 43. The W.M. and officers exemplified the third degree in a most impressive and pleasing manner, after which I had the pleasure of listening to a very able address on Masonry by W. Bro. A. W. Cameron, I.P.M. of Oxford Lodge. Oxford Lodge is very fortunate in having R.W. Bro. John Dutton as Secretary. I found his books in excellent shape and the finances in good condition. This is one of the progressive lodges of the district, and I believe it has a great future.

St. John's Lodge No. 68, Ingersoll.—I visited this lodge on March 15th, 1912. I found only a fair attendance of the members, but the work done by the W.M. and his officers was well up to the standard. I found the books in good shape and the finances in a prosperous condition.

Walsingham Lodge No. 174, Port Rowan.—I visited this lodge on March 28th, 1912. The lodge was called for 2.30 p.m. and also for 8 o'clock, and I was pleased with such a good attendance at both the afternoon and evening meetings. Although it was a very disagreeable

day, the members from St. Williams and country turned out in good numbers. The W.M. and officers conferred two first degrees and one second at the afternoon meeting, and a third at the evening meeting, in a fair manner. I found the books well kept by W. Bro. James Ryan, who is ably assisted by W. Bro. J. C. Biddle, and the finances in a good condition. This lodge has had a good year and lots of work. I never visited a lodge where harmony prevails between its members more than in this lodge, and its future looks bright.

Frederick Lodge No. 217, Delhi—I visited this lodge on April 5th, 1912. Owing to the absence of the W.M., caused by illness in the family, W. Bro. Dr. Tisdale took the Master's chair, and as there was no work the officers opened and closed the lodge in the three degrees in a very able manner. I found the books well kept and the finances in a fair condition.

Scotland Lodge No. 193, Scotland.—I visited this lodge on April 29th, 1912. I was well pleased with the attendance of the members. The W.M., W. Bro. Muirhead, and officers conferred the first and second degrees in such an able manner as to leave little room for criticism. R.W. Bro. J. Messecar is Secretary of the lodge, which accounts for the excellent manner in which the books are kept. I think the lodge is very fortunate in having such an efficient officer. I found the finances in good shape. Harmony and enthusiasm prevail in this lodge.

Oak Branch Lodge No. 261, Innerkip.—I visited this lodge on May 2, 1912. W. Bro. A. L. Ashton, W.M., and his officers conferred the second degree in a very able manner. I found the books well kept by the Secretary and the finances in a fair condition. I had the pleasure of meeting W. Bro. E. W. Tawns, an old and enthusiastic Mason, who takes an active part in the proceedings.

Vittoria Lodge No. 359, Vittoria.—I visited this lodge on May 3rd, 1912, and was much pleased at the good attendance. The W.M. and officers exemplified the sublime degree of a M.M. on a very bright and well-instructed candidate in a very creditable manner.

The Secretary's books are neat and the prospect of the lodge is very bright.

Oriental Lodge No. 181, Port Burwell.—I visited this lodge on May 16th, 1912, and had the pleasure of meeting R.W. Bro. S. S. Clutton and several brethren of Vienna Lodge. As there was no degree work, the W.M. and officers opened and closed the lodge in the three degrees, doing the same very well. I found the lodge has a very efficient Secretary, who has his books in good shape. I found W. Bros. Burwell and Backhouse taking an active part in the work, and there is no reason why the lodge should not prosper.

Vienna Lodge No. 237, Vienna.—I visited this lodge on May 7th, and was pleased to see a good attendance of the members and several brethren of Oriental Lodge No. 181, Port Burwell. The W.M. and officers conferred the first degree upon a very bright candidate in a very able manner. R.W. Bro. Clutton is Secretary of the lodge, and I think the lodge is very fortunate in having such an able officer. His books are kept in the best shape I ever saw in any lodge, and much credit is due to him for the harmony that exists in the lodge.

Erie Lodge No. 149, Port Dover.—I completed my visits at this lodge on May 27th, 1912. There was a fair attendance of members present. The W.M. and officers conferred the second degree in a fairly satisfactory manner. The Secretary's books are neatly kept, and the funds are in a good condition. This was one of the lodges that had not paid their full quota to the Semi-Centennial Fund, but I am pleased to report that they have now done so.

In concluding my report, I must again thank the brethren throughout the district for their kindness to me. I shall remember with pleasure the courteous manner in which I was always received.

Fraternally submitted.

C. G. HULET, D.D.G.M.,
Wilson District No. 6.

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

Table Shewing the Work Done in Wilson District No. 6, from June 24th, 1911, to June 24th, 1912.

No. of Lodge	Name of Lodge	Location	Mem- bers'ip		Degr's Com'd	Total No. of all Mem.		Affiliations		Resignations	Suspensions, N.P.D.	Suspensions, other causes	Meet'gs held				Amount paid for relief	No. mem. 12 mths in arrears	Total of all arreavages	Date of last G. L. Return	Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W. M. work all degrees	Insurance	
			Increase during Year	Decrease during Year		E. A.	F. C.	M. M.	Regular				Emergent	Total											
10	Norfolk	Simcoe	136	3	1	3	5	4	1	10	14	12	5	20	80	00	Dec. 24, '11	Good	Good	Yes	500 00
37	King William	Hagersville	138	10	1	9	7	6	..	..	..	..	..	14	4	18	28	80	00	Jan., 1912	Good	Good	Yes	800 00
43	K. Solomon	Woodstock	239	46	7	40	27	16	..	..	..	..	..	4	13	27	40	125	00	Dec. 27, '11	Good	Good	Yes	1600 00
68	St. John's	Hagersville	106	6	10	6	8	7	..	9	..	..	..	11	3	16	20	55	00	Dec. 27, '11	Good	Good	Yes	400 00
76	Oxford	Woodstock	201	11	23	10	10	8	..	6	..	..	..	11	3	16	20	55	00	Dec. 27, '11	Good	Good	Yes	1500 00
78	King William	Thornburg	165	12	6	10	10	10	..	..	..	..	..	12	4	17	15	10	00	Dec. 27, '11	Good	Good	Yes	800 00
82	St. John's	Park	105	4	7	4	5	7	..	..	..	..	..	11	4	16	32	15	00	Dec. 27, '11	Good	Good	Yes	800 00
101	St. John's	Norwich	106	7	4	8	4	6	..	..	..	..	..	11	1	13	21	22	00	Dec. 27, '11	Good	Good	Yes	1500 00
106	Burford	Burford	70	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10	1	12	11	22	00	Dec. 27, '11	Good	Good	Yes	350 00
108	Blenheim	Princeton	49	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	11	1	12	11	22	00	Dec. 27, '11	Good	Good	Yes	500 00
113	Wilson	Waterford	143	4	4	4	4	3	..	..	..	..	..	11	2	13	12	370	00	Dec. 27, '11	Good	Good	Yes	500 00
149	Eric	Port Dover	77	15	12	4	4	3	..	..	..	..	..	11	1	12	26	..	..	Jan. 11, '12	O.K.	Bright	Yes	650 00
174	Walsingham	Port Rowan	76	9	12	4	4	3	..	1	..	..	..	11	2	13	24	..	..	June, 1912	Good	Good	Yes	250 00
178	Plattsville	Plattsville	42	8	11	11	9	6	..	..	..	..	..	10	5	15	25	50	00	June, 1912	Good	Good	Yes	1200 00
181	Ontario	Port Burwell	33	1	7	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	12	1	13	13	55	00	Jan. 3, '12	1st class	Good	No	250 00
193	Scotland	Scotland	76	6	10	4	4	4	..	..	..	..	..	1	9	10	14	..	..	Dec., 1911	Fair	Fair	No	300 00
217	Frederick	Belth	61	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	13	11	18	..	..	Jan. 3, '12	Good	Good	Yes	300 00
227	Vienna	Vienna	53	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	10	13	12	10	00	Dec. 27, '11	Good	Good	Yes	750 00
236	Thistle	Embro	38	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	13	2	15	20	00	Dec. 27, '11	Good	Good	Yes	750 00
259	Springfield	Springfield	57	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	14	2	16	25	12	50	Dec. 27, '11	A1	Good	Yes	500 00
261	Oak Branch	Innerskip	36	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	11	2	12	10	35	00	April, 1912	Good	Good	Yes	1100 00
359	Victoria	Victoria	53	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	11	2	12	20	..	..	Feb. 3, '12	Good	Good	Yes	600 00

WELLINGTON DISTRICT No. 7.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario:

MOST WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BRETHREN:

It is with pleasure I submit for your consideration my report upon the condition of Masonry in Wellington District No. 7. I again thank the representatives of the district for unanimously electing me to the high and honourable position of D.D.G.M., and am sorry I have not been able to fill the office as I should have done, owing to misfortune which overtook me early in the year. However, I did the best I could under the circumstances, and visited all of the lodges but one, one or more times. I find that almost all of the lodges are in splendid condition, and are exercising great care in selecting material for membership. I have always tried to impress upon the brethren that it is quality, and not quantity, that we desire in our lodges; that we want men of high ideals and sterling character to compose our membership, in order to maintain the high plane we occupy in our glorious country.

I am glad to say that only one lodge in the district has not paid its full quota to the Semi-Centennial Benevolent Fund, and that lodge would have done so had it not been for a fire which destroyed the lodge room some time ago; but they will no doubt in time be able to contribute their full share to the grand work of wider benevolence.

Under the warrant of Grand River Lodge No. 151, I held a Lodge of Instruction at Berlin July 5th, 1912, which, owing to the excessive heat, was not as well attended as I could have wished. However, the brethren of Grand River Lodge installed a number of electric fans in the lodge room, so that we were fairly comfortable. The lodge was opened at 3 p.m. by the officers of Waverley Lodge No. 361, Guelph, who exemplified the E.A. degree in a faultless manner, and won golden opinions from those present. At 4.40 p.m. the officers of Preston Lodge No. 297 opened in the second degree and conferred that degree upon a candidate provided

by Waverley Lodge No. 361. Needless to say, they maintained the honour of Preston Lodge by putting on the work in a thorough and painstaking manner. Lodge was called from Labour to Refreshment at 5.50 p.m.

At 8.05 p.m. the lodge resumed Labour, and the officers of Grand River Lodge No. 151 exemplified the sublime degree of a M.M. in a very solemn and impressive manner, and received the hearty encomiums of the brethren present. A short time was spent in asking and answering questions, but as the work was so very uniform, very little criticism was indulged in. A very pleasant hour was spent around the festive board, when the gathering broke up with expressions of pleasure on the part of every one present. My thanks are hereby tendered to the brethren of Grand River Lodge No. 151 for their kindness on this occasion.

OFFICIAL VISITS.

My first official visit, accompanied by my trusty District Secretary, W. Bro. H. C. Edgar, was to Conestogo Lodge No. 295, Drayton, on November 7th, 1911. I found them comfortably settled in their snug little lodge rooms. The officers of the lodge conferred the M.M. degree upon one candidate, after which the brethren of Irving Lodge No. 203 conferred a similar degree upon a second candidate. Needless to say, the ceremony as performed produced a lasting impression upon all who were present.

Alma Lodge No. 72, Galt, was the occasion of my next visit, December 29th, it being Past Masters' night. The veteran W. Bro. Findlay Smith was in the chair, assisted by P.D.D.G.Ms. Cowan, Taylor and Oliver. Like father, like son, applies to this lodge. The old veterans are strictly up to the mark, and they insist upon the younger officers doing their work equally as well. A large number of members and visitors were present.

Irving Lodge No. 203, Elora, January 19th, 1912, was my next visit, where I was pleased to meet that trusty, tried and true Mason, R.W. Bro. D. B. Miller. The F.C. degree was put on in a faultless manner, after which a pleasant hour was spent in social intercourse.

Mercer Lodge No. 347, Fergus, was visited on Feb-

ruary 2nd, 1912. W. Bro. Perry presided and exemplified the third degree in a manner which left nothing to be desired. Although the weather was very cold and stormy, yet a number of the brethren from Irving Lodge No. 203 were present and contributed to the pleasure of the occasion. W. Bro. Edgar, District Secretary, was also present, and delivered a splendid address.

Waverley Lodge No. 361, Guelph, was visited on February 26th, 1912. Owing to the fact that the brethren of the Craft in the Royal City contemplate erecting a Masonic Temple in the near future, the evening was taken up in discussing the enterprise pro and con. It was finally carried by a large majority that Waverley Lodge fall in line with the project. It was on this occasion that W. Bro. Day promised to confer the first degree at a Lodge of Instruction, to demonstrate to me that they were competent to do the work, and I was not disappointed.

Speed Lodge No. 180, Guelph, received my attention on March 5th, 1912, when W. Bro. Gould and his assistants conferred the F.C. degree upon two candidates. The brethren of Speed Lodge were unanimous in endorsing the Temple building project, and determined to take a large block of stock in the enterprise.

Blair Lodge No. 314, Palmerston, was visited officially March 8th, 1912. Owing to this being a railroad centre, while they have a fairly large membership, they very seldom have a large attendance. The E.A. degree was conferred, and I was particularly pleased to hear the venerable Bro. Westgate, who is 84 years old, deliver the lecture on the tracing board.

Ayr Lodge No. 172, Ayr.—I made my official visit to Ayr Lodge March 11th, 1912. I found W. Bro. Woolmer and his fellow-officers well skilled in the work, and was exceedingly pleased with the manner in which the E.A. degree was conferred. Although a small place, yet the prospects of Masonry are very bright.

Grand River Lodge No. 151, Berlin, was visited on March 12th, 1912. W. Bro. Lochead conferred the first

degree upon a candidate, and was sorry they did not have a candidate for the third degree. I therefore informed him that I should give myself the pleasure of seeing him and his officers exemplify the M.M. degree at a Lodge of Instruction, which, as I have before observed, was performed to my entire satisfaction.

Preston Lodge No. 297, Preston.—My official visit was made to my mother lodge on March 15th, 1912, when the officers conferred the second degree upon two candidates. The present officers, under the guidance of W. Bro. Weiberg, maintained the high degree of efficiency in performing the work set by such stalwarts in Masonry as R.W. Bro. Miller, W. Bro. Roos, Bro. Edgar and others.

Harris Lodge No. 216, Orangeville, was visited on March 26th, 1912. The first degree was exemplified by Bro. Sproul and officers, and left nothing to be desired.

Prince Arthur Lodge No. 334, Arthur.—I made my official visit to the above lodge March 27th, and was pleased to see the interest manifested in the teachings of the Craft. One candidate was found well skilled, and was raised to the sublime degree of a M.M.

Wellington Lodge No. 271, Erin, was my next objective point. The third degree was conferred upon a brother.

St. Alban's Lodge No. 200, Mount Forest, March 29th, 1912.—I visited the above lodge on the date mentioned. Bro. Taylor and his officers conferred the first degree upon a candidate and proved themselves to be efficient therein. A number of questions were asked and answered to their satisfaction.

Harriston Lodge No. 262, Harriston.—I visited this lodge officially April 8th, 1912. While they had no work on this evening, yet a profitable evening was spent in discussing Masonry, and much useful information was gleaned.

Durham Lodge No. 306, Durham.—I visited this lodge on April 9th, 1912. Here also I found no work on the programme, but the officers opened and closed in the several degrees, and questions were asked and

answered. I found this lodge prosperous, with a bright future ahead.

Clifford Lodge No. 315, Clifford, received my official visit April 15th, 1912. Owing to the state of the roads and recent floods, the W.M., W. Bro. Wenger, who lives at a considerable distance, was unable to be present. No work being before the lodge, the officers in charge opened and closed in the several degrees and proved themselves proficient, afterwards discussing Masonry in its various phases, and eliciting much useful information.

Guelph Lodge No. 258, Guelph.—I visited the above lodge officially May 14th, and was pleased to see the E.A. degree exemplified by the officers, who acquitted themselves with great credit to themselves and their lodge. As on my previous visits to the lodges of Guelph the question of taking stock in the proposed Temple project was discussed. They were enthusiastic, and a goodly share of stock was subscribed for by the lodge. I find that the above project has given a great impetus to Masonry in the Royal City, and I have counselled them to exercise the greatest care, so that only upright and true men be received.

Galt Lodge No. 257, Galt.—I made my official visit to the above lodge May 21st, 1912, accompanied by a number of Preston brethren. I found them prosperous and with a bright future before them, everything in connection with the lodge being in fine shape. The second degree was conferred upon two candidates by the W.M., W. Bro. Willard, assisted by R.W. Bro. Cowan and W. Bro. Weiburg of Preston.

New Hope Lodge No. 279, Hespeler, was visited officially on May 29th, 1912. The F.C. degree was conferred upon four candidates, and under the watchful eye of R.W. Bro. John Jardine the work was performed in a faultless manner. The candidates were bright and above the average. Here also the question of new and larger quarters was discussed and carried, so that when vacation is over New Hope Lodge will meet in a large and well-appointed lodge room to carry on the work which awaits them.

There remains but one more lodge in this district of

twenty-one lodges, viz., Scott Lodge No. 421, Grand Valley. I made two appointments to visit this lodge, but owing to epidemics and other causes, the brethren thought it inadvisable for me to come. Later on, owing to sickness in my family, I found it impossible to get away to visit them. However, I find from the Secretary's report that the lodge is in a good financial condition, the lodge is increasing, and harmony prevails.

In conclusion, I wish to thank the brethren of the district for the uniform courtesy and kindness accorded me on all my official visits, and the right royal entertainment accorded me.

I shall hand to my successor the sacred trust given to me a year ago with the assurance that he will find a right royal welcome awaiting him from every lodge in the district.

Fraternally submitted,

B. W. ZIEMANN, D.D.G.M.,
Wellington District No. 7.

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

Table Shewing the Work Done in Wellington District No. 7, from June 24th, 1911, to June 24th, 1912.

No. of Lodge	Name of Lodge	Location	Mem- bership		Degr's Conf'd			Affiliations	Restorations	Resignations	Suspensions, N.P.D.	Suspensions, other causes	Deceased	Meet's held			Aver. atten'ce of members	Amount paid for relief	No. mem. 12 mths in ar'rs	Total of all arrearages	Date of last G. L. Return	Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W. M. work all degrees	Insurance	
			Total No. of all Mem.	Increase during year	Decrease during year	E. A.	F. C.							M. M.	Regular	Emergency										Total
72 Alma	Alma	Galt	169	14	14	9	12	12	1	1	1	1	1	1	112	5	17	25	45	00	June 24, '12	Good	Good	Yes	Joint	
151 Grand River	Grand River	Berlin	296			5	7	5	2	4	2		1	1	111	5	16	35	89	00	Dec. 31, '11	Good	Good	Yes	1700 00	
172 Ayr	Ayr	Ayr	48	2	12	2	2	2					2	9	1	10	10				Dec. 30, '11	Good	Good	Yes	700 00	
180 Speed	Speed	Guelph	110	7	3	6	7	8	2	2			1	1	113	2	15	25	126	00	Dec. 27, '11	Good	Good	Yes	1500 ft.	
200 St. Alban's	St. Alban's	Mt. Forest	75	1	1	4	5	1	1	4	1			13	1	14	18				June 24, '11	Good	Fair	Yes	600 00	
203 Irvine	Irvine	Elora	89	6	6	6	7	7					11	1	112	26	25	45	15	76	83	June 24, '12	Good	Good	Yes	400 00
216 Harris	Harris	Orangeville	166	6	8	5	6	5	1	3			1	1	112	5	17	26	5	20	107	June 24, '11	Good	Good	Yes	500 00
257 Galt	Galt	Galt	197	9	6	8	10	4	5	1			2	1	113	9	22	35		30	137	Dec. 29, '11	Good	Good	Yes	Joint
258 Guelph	Guelph	Guelph	127	9	10	7	6	1	1	3	1			2	13	5	18	24	46	75	46	June 24, '12	Good	Good	Yes	1500 ft.
262 Harriston	Harriston	Harriston	100	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	1			12	1	13	17	95	00	22	Jan. 1, '12	Good	Fair	Yes	500 00	
271 Wellington	Wellington	Erin	61	10	4	2	1	1	1	2	14			2	11	1	12	21	10	18	Jan. 19, '12	Fair	Fair	Yes	300 00	
279 New Hope	New Hope	Hesper	88	4	7	6	6	1	1	2			1	1	111	5	16	21	32	50	6	June 24, '11	Good	Good	Yes	400 00
295 Conestoga	Conestoga	Drayton	65	7	3	4	6	1	1	1			13	1	13	16	5	00				Dec. 27, '11	Fair	Fair	Yes	400 00
297 Preston	Preston	Preston	77	6	1	6	5	6	1	1			10	4	14	20	20	00	12			Dec. 19, '11	Fair	Good	Yes	800 00
306 Durham	Durham	Durham	59	3	1	1	1	1	2	3	1		1	1	114	1	15	12	20	00		Dec. 19, '11	Good	Good	Yes	None
314 Blair	Blair	Palmerston	90	4	1	3	3	2	1	4			10	2	12	15	45	00	5	89	00	June 24, '12	Fair	Fair	Yes	500 00
315 Clifford	Clifford	Clifford	62	3	3	3	4	4	1	2			11	1	111	2	13	19	65	00	10	June 29, '12	Good	Fair	No	300 00
334 Pri'ce Arthur	Pri'ce Arthur	Arthur	63	11	3	9	9	8	1	2			1	1	113	4	17	15	5	00	1	June 2, '12	Good	Good	Yes	500 00
347 Mercer	Mercer	Fergus	71	2	2	2	2	2	4	3			10	3	113	21	21	10	00			Jan. 3, '12	Good	Good	Yes	Yes
361 Waverley	Waverley	Guelph	190	20	4	16	16	15	4	3			1	9	12	21	27	68	35			Dec. 27, '11	Good	Good	Yes	1500 ft.
421 Scott	Scott	Grand Valley	86	4	1	1	1	1	2	1			1	8	2	10	15			3	Dec. 30, '11	Fair	Good	Yes	500 00	

HAMILTON DISTRICT No. 8.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario:

MOST WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BRETHREN:

It affords me much pleasure to present my official report on the condition of Masonry in Hamilton District No. 8 for the past year.

I must first express my appreciation to the brethren of the district for the high honour conferred in my election, and also for the continuous and unfailing courtesy shown me on all occasions. I wish especially to thank W. Bro. J. H. McNeilly, my District Secretary, who visited every lodge in the district with me, for his faithful and able assistance. Likewise my appreciation is extended to M.W. Bro. Freed, R.W. Bros. Gunn, Lloyd, Holden, Matthews, Miller, and a number of W. brethren, for timely help, thus assisting in making my year's work an extreme pleasure.

I officially visited every lodge in the district, and some of them, unofficially, several times, and am pleased to report the affairs of each in a healthy and prosperous condition.

I am pleased to report progress towards the completion of the S.-C.B. Fund in this district, all of the lodges, with one exception, having completed their quota, and in that one a strong committee has been appointed, with instructions to raise the amount of their indebtedness at as early a date as possible.

All of the warranted lodges in the district have now been dedicated according to constitution, the only one remaining for my year being Harmony Lodge No. 57, Binbrook, which I had the honour of dedicating October 4th, 1911. On that occasion I was assisted by R.W. Bros. W. F. Miller and R. V. Matthews, V.W. Bros. W. H. Wardrope, Jas. Dixon and W. Greenhill, W. Bros. A. B. Clark, C. E. Kelley, L. F. Stephens, D. Gibson, H. S. Wallace, Dr. Mellwraith, T. M. Wright, E. J. Whitworth, J. H. McNeilly, T. J. Chittick, T. H. Corman, and others.

I wish to note with satisfaction that most of the

lodges in the district re-elect the same Secretary and Treasurer from year to year. These in most instances are Past Masters, enthusiastic and capable, hence the work of their important departments is well looked after and augurs well for the stability and continued success of the various lodges.

OFFICIAL VISITS.

Harmony Lodge No. 57, Binbrook.—I had the honour of dedicating this lodge room on the occasion of my official visit October 4th, 1911. Harmony has a fine lodge room now, after an expenditure of \$800 in enlarging and equipping. The lodge is also fortunate in its staff of officers, particularly W. Bro. Twiss, W.M. for the second year, and W. Bro. Whitworth, Secretary. This is the only lodge in the district able to report “no arrears of dues,” and their finances are in good shape.

Electric Lodge No. 495, Hamilton.—Visited October 18th, 1911, and conducted their first election of officers. The attendance was large and the enthusiasm shown by the brethren speaks well for the future success of this young lodge. Electric is well officered, has a fine regular attendance of members, and a cash balance of \$660.84 in the bank.

The eight lodges of the city of Hamilton use the same lodge room, which is one of the handsomest in the country, having been recently re-decorated and re-furnished.

Waterdown Lodge No. 357, Millgrove.—Visited this lodge October 31st, 1911. The W.M. being absent on a hunting trip, W. Bro. Goodbrand presided. Waterdown being the home of my boyhood, I was honoured on that occasion by the presence of a number of brethren who do not attend lodge regularly, and was most cordially received. The officers exemplified the first degree in a most creditable manner. The lodge has made good progress during the year, and the finances are carefully looked after.

Burlington Lodge No. 165, Burlington.—I conducted the election of officers on the occasion of my official visit November 29th, 1911. This lodge has made excellent progress during the year, having had a large

increase in membership and of good material. An excellent Secretary and some enthusiastic P.Ms. bids well for its continued success. The present W.M., W. Bro. Graham, is a good live young Mason, popular among his brethren, and has a proper conception of the duties and requirements of the office he has been called upon to fill. The affairs of this lodge are in splendid shape.

Wentworth Lodge No. 166. Stoney Creek.—Visited, officially, this my mother lodge December 4th, 1911, and, needless to say, was most enthusiastically received. The attendance of members and visitors was unusually large. This being the annual meeting, I conducted the election of officers. Having attended, unofficially, most of the regular meetings of this lodge during the year, I know that its interests are well looked after. Wentworth has a loyal band of P.Ms. ready and willing to serve their lodge's interests on all occasions: they are of immense assistance to the presiding officers.

Seymour Lodge No. 272. Ancaster.—I visited this lodge 5th December, 1911. There being no regular work on, I had the officers open and close the lodge in the several degrees, which was satisfactorily done. This lodge has during this year completed its quota to the Semi-Centennial Benevolent Fund, and is strong financially, having assets of \$1,168. A live membership of regular attenders is of great assistance to the officers of any lodge, and Seymour boasts such a membership.

Acacia Lodge No. 61. Hamilton.—A full house characterized my official visit to Acacia Lodge December 8th, 1911. My reception was most flattering, and I was royally entertained. Having visited this lodge on other occasions many times, and being personally acquainted with a large number of its members, this is, to my mind, an ideal lodge, up-to-date in every respect. A large membership of bright men, sound financial position and bright prospects, are the outstanding features. I conducted the annual election of officers on this occasion, and from the selection made can bespeak the same high standard in the future as in the past.

Temple Lodge No. 324, Hamilton.—Visited December 12th, 1911. Being the annual meeting, I conducted the election of officers for the ensuing year. Temple Lodge is still forging ahead in membership, having conferred during the year ninety-one degrees, besides accepting six affiliated members. This lodge is well officered with bright young men. The assets are large, plenty of cash being on hand, and back dues well paid up.

Lodge of Strict Observance No. 27, Hamilton.—A good attendance greeted me on the occasion of my official visit to this lodge December 15th, 1911, and I was well received, the election of officers being the principal business on hand, which I conducted. I am pleased to report the affairs of this lodge in excellent shape, assets being large and a small amount of dues in arrears. They have a model Secretary in W. Bro. W. C. Morton, one of the most prompt in the district, being up to the minute with all returns and a careful guardian of the lodge's welfare.

Dundurn Lodge No. 475, Hamilton.—Visited 16th December, 1911, and conducted the election of officers. My reception was most cordial. Dundurn Lodge has maintained a steady growth since its institution, and the material is good, which speaks well for this young lodge. The present membership is 140, having initiated eighteen during the present year. They have a nice surplus of cash on hand, as well as some investments. A splendid lot of P.Ms. are affiliated with this lodge and support it loyally, and its staff of officers are O.K.

St. John's Lodge No. 40, Hamilton.—The largest number of P.Ms. and visiting Masters and P.Ms. of the year, as well as a large membership, greeted me at St. John's December 21st, 1911. The annual election was the principal business, which I conducted. This is one of the largest lodges in the district, and the enthusiasm and interest of the members is well maintained. An efficient staff of officers, supported by a loyal band of Past Masters, ensures the merited success of this lodge.

St. George Lodge No. 243, St. George.—I visited this lodge on installation night, December 27th, 1911.

The ceremony of installing the officers was performed by M.W. Bro. Freed, which was beautifully done, as all the work of the M.W. brother is. He was ably assisted in the work by W. Bro. Burt of St. George. St. George has a beautiful lodge room, well furnished, an active and growing membership, and a nice cash balance in hand, speaking well for the zeal of those in charge of its affairs.

Brant Lodge No. 45, Brantford.—I visited Brant Lodge February 13th, 1912. The officers exemplified the first degree in an impressive manner. The new Masonic home of the Brantford brethren is a model, the equipment perfect, so that the ritualistic work is of a high order. This lodge has had a successful year and stands well in every department.

St. Andrew's Lodge No. 62, Caledonia.—Visited 28th February, 1912. This is the home of V.W. Bro. Old, a veteran in the Craft, who was present on this occasion. The officers initiated a bright candidate creditably and performed their other duties in an acceptable manner. A number of capable Past Masters assist materially in the government of the lodge. St. Andrew's has had a successful year and has a substantial cash balance.

St. Clair Lodge No. 135, Milton.—This lodge was visited March 28th, 1912. As Milton at that time was in the midst of an oil boom, a number of visiting prospectors, members of the Craft in the Province, graced the occasion and added to its interest. The first degree was worked acceptably by the officers. This is the only lodge in the district at present not having paid its full quota to the S.-C.B. Fund, so I strongly impressed upon the brethren the need of doing so. A letter from the W.M. received since informs me that a committee has been appointed to deal with the matter and raise the required amount. The lease of their lodge room having expired, the brethren are about to move to other quarters, and are spending a considerable amount of money in fitting up. The affairs of the lodge are in good shape.

Credit Lodge No. 219, Georgetown.—Visited March 29th, a number of brethren from Walker Lodge, Acton, being present. There being no work on, the lodge was

opened and closed in the several degrees and was well done. Credit Lodge has an energetic staff of young officers, and I look for big things from their year's work. The lodge since my visit has suffered a great loss in the death of R.W. Bro. Finlay, who was present on the evening of my visit and added greatly to its enjoyment. Some changes in the by-laws of the lodge were proposed to better suit the convenience of the brethren as to hour of meeting, and some other minor changes. They had a large amount of dues in arrears, for which I urged early efforts at collection.

Walker Lodge No. 321, Acton.—Visited April 1st, 1912, visitors from Milton and Grimsby being present. The third degree was exemplified most satisfactorily. A painstaking and efficient Secretary, W. Bro. McDonald, looks after its affairs. Finances are in good condition and prospects good. They have a good average attendance of members, considering the fact that nearly one-half of the membership is non-resident.

Doric Lodge No. 121, Brantford.—Visited April 19th, 1912, accompanied by a good delegation. The officers exemplified the first degree in a faultless manner. Doric Lodge has made great progress during the year, having initiated twenty at the time of my visit. The present membership is large and assets of \$4,676.68. The two Brantford lodges occupy the same lodge room, which is a credit to any city.

Valley Lodge No. 100, Dundas.—Visited May 13th, 1912, accompanied by a number of Past Masters from Hamilton. The lodge room has been enlarged and improved recently, and is very neat and attractive. The officers are very efficient in conferring the degrees, and evince a live interest in the affairs of the lodge. The first degree was conferred on this occasion in an excellent manner. The financial condition of the lodge is strong.

Dufferin Lodge No. 291, West Flamboro.—Visited May 30th, 1912. A lovely evening and excellent roads brought a large attendance of members and visitors. I was more than pleased to meet among the brethren W. Bro. Captain John Minchin, a South African veteran, who was assisted to the lodge room by his brethren. The first degree was exemplified excellently,

leaving, apparently, a good impression on the mind of the candidate. This lodge has recently completed its quota to the S.-C.B. Fund, and has a good cash balance in the treasury. V.W. Bro. Jones, the energetic Secretary, does much to guide the affairs of this lodge successfully assisted at present by a splendid staff of officers, who are doing good work.

Oakville Lodge No. 400, Oakville.—Visited June 4, 1912. I witnessed the conferring of the first degree on this occasion, which was well put on. Oakville Lodge is at present unfortunate in the continued illness of Secretary Bro. Chas. Bradbury, necessitating his absence from lodge. I was pleased to be informed that a cheque for the balance of their S.-C.B. Fund indebtedness had recently been sent to the Grand Secretary. I found little for criticism in the conduct and affairs of this lodge.

Barton Lodge No. 6, Hamilton.—My visit of June 12th, 1912, to this lodge was a delight. Old historic Barton was never in better shape, enthusiastic and alive to everything Masonic. Being their annual meeting, I conducted the election of officers, and from the selections made am satisfied for its continued success. A departure from the usual custom was introduced on this occasion, that of the banquet before the lodge was opened, meeting in the banqueting hall at 6.30 p.m. This was a pleasant innovation after keeping late hours at lodge meetings all the rest of the year. Barton Lodge has an excellent staff of officers, zealous in the affairs of the lodge, and its financial position is sound.

Doric Lodge No. 382, Hamilton.—Visited June 17th, 1912, my last official visit and one of the most pleasant. Here again I found everything in excellent shape. I conducted the annual election of officers. This lodge has had a most successful year, having initiated twenty-seven at the time of my visit. Total assets \$6,190 and liabilities about \$300.

Lynden Lodge, U.D.—Early in the present year I had the honour of submitting to you, M.W. Sir, a petition, signed by a number of brethren resident in Lynden, County of Wentworth, praying for a dispensation to open a lodge of A.F. & A.M. in that village, accompanying which petition were resolutions of con-

sent by all the lodges adjacent. The prayer of the petitioners and dispensation being granted, you instructed me to institute a lodge there, which duty I performed on the evening of July 9th, 1912. I was accompanied on that occasion by a large number of brethren from the surrounding lodges and assisted in the ceremony by R.W. Bro. R. V. Matthews, P.G.J.W., W. Bros. D. Burt of St. George, W. Green of West Flamboro, J. E. Orr, A. Vollick, J. H. McNeilly, Biggs and a number of other brethren.

This lodge opens under most favorable auspices, situated in a beautiful village, with happy surroundings, and I confidently look for excellent results.

Fraternally submitted,

B. E. THOMPSON, D.D.G.M.,
Hamilton District No. 8.

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

Table Shewing the Work Done in Hamilton District No. 8, from June 24th, 1911, to June 24th, 1912.

No. of Lodge	Name of Lodge	Location	Mem- bership		Begr's Conf'd		Affiliations			Restorations			Suspensions, N.P.D.			Meet's held			Amount paid for relief	No. mem. 12 mths in arrears	Total of all arrearages	Date of last G. L. Return	Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W. M. work all degrees	Insurance
			Total No. of all Mem.	Increase during year	Decrease during year	E. A.	F. C.	M. M.	Initiations	Resignations	Suspensions, other causes	Meet's held														
												Regular	Emergent	Total												
6	Barton	421	8	151718	8	0	4	4	4	7113	81950	92	00	118	498	15	June	24	12	Excel't	Good	Bright	Yes	500 Jt.	
27	Strict Obs'ce	.....	409	7	181415	1	1	4	5	5	1012	61945	97	00	23	49	50	Dec.	27	11	Good	Bright	Yes	Joint	
40	St. John's	.....	482	9	231918	4	0	5	3	3	7113	61850	330	50	65	173	50	June	24	12	Good	Good	Yes	1300 00	
57	Harmony	.....	75	15	11999	1	3	4	0	1	12	31527	5	00	...	...	...	Dec.	27	11	Good	Good	Yes	2500 00
45	Brant	.....	305	7	171311	8	1	3	5	10	511	92041	329	77	14	153	00	Dec.	27	11	Excel't	Good	Yes	Joint	
61	Acacia	.....	463	17	282322	3	1	5	3	6	613	61961	40	00	77	196	00	Dec.	27	11	Good	Good	Yes	200 00	
62	St. Andrew's	.....	17	10	988	1	1	1	1	1	15	41913	125	50	6	42	00	Dec.	27	11	Good	Good	Yes	500 00	
100	Valley	.....	175	15	151112	3	1	4	1	1	110	61633	70	00	13	120	00	June	24	12	Good	Good	Yes	1700 00	
124	Doric	.....	495	28	282023	4	0	1	1	3	311	22368	484	31	65	281	00	Dec.	27	11	Excel't	Good	Yes	250 00	
135	St. Clair	.....	108	7	74	12	1	3	1	3	212	41623	40	00	9	60	00	June	24	12	Good	Good	Yes	600 00	
165	Burlington	.....	149	12	171012	1	1	1	1	1	112	12230	70	00	15	40	00	Dec.	28	11	Good	Good	Yes	500 00	
166	Wentworth	.....	130	1	11	1	1	1	1	1	212	41619	10	00	24	117	00	Dec.	27	11	Good	Good	Yes	500 00	
219	Credit	.....	99	1	433	2	3	2	2	3	212	82317	...	...	23	124	25	Dec.	27	11	Good	Good	Yes	600 00
243	St. George	.....	77	1	477	4	2	5	2	5	215	2528	10	00	2	50	00	Dec.	27	11	Good	Good	Yes	200 00	
272	Seymour	.....	130	2	554	4	1	1	1	1	110	21223	5	00	40	145	00	June	24	11	Good	Good	Yes	300 00	
291	Dufferin	.....	100	2	343	3	...	...	...	...	110	21223	...	...	13	45	00	June	24	11	Good	Good	Yes	Joint
321	Walker	.....	69	1	266	6	5	0	2	8	512	21435	175	00	46	120	00	Dec.	27	11	AI	Good	Yes	Joint	
324	Temple	.....	399	3	1398	3	1	1	1	1	11	41530	50	00	30	65	00	Dec.	27	11	Good	Bright	Yes	100 Jt.	
337	Waterdown	.....	116	12	12129	9	2	2	2	5	113	61966	184	20	100	295	50	July	2	12	Excel't	Good	Yes	100 Jt.	
357	Doric	.....	372	21	272336	6	2	1	1	1	110	71733	...	...	25	102	00	June	24	11	Good	Good	No	400 00
382	Oakville	.....	148	12	910	5	3	1	1	1	112	11334	40	00	7	21	00	Dec.	27	11	Good	Good	Yes	Joint	
400	Oakville	.....	148	12	910	5	3	1	1	1	112	11334	40	00	7	21	00	Dec.	27	11	Good	Good	Yes	Joint	
475	Dundurn	.....	140	18	182017	15	3	6	0	1	112	11334	40	00	7	21	00	Dec.	27	11	Good	Good	Yes	Joint	
495	Electric	.....	125	29	272130	30	5	...	...	...	112	51736	48	20	41	164	75	Dec.	31	11	Good	Good	Yes	None

GEORGIAN DISTRICT No 9

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario:

MOST WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BRETHREN:

I have the honour to present my report for Georgian District No. 9.

I wish to return my sincere thanks to the brethren of Georgian District for the honour conferred in electing me to this important and responsible office, and to express my gratitude to the brethren throughout the district for the kind, courteous and true Masonic treatment accorded me on the occasion of all my visits to them during my term of office. The hospitable treatment and sumptuous banquets accorded me by each and every lodge on the occasion of all my visits deserves my sincere thanks.

I have visited every lodge in the district and am pleased to report that Masonry is progressing very favourably. I found in every lodge very capable officers, all trying to do their duty faithfully in carrying out the ancient customs and land marks and I think I am safe in saying that the work in this district will compare favourably with the work in any district in your jurisdiction.

This district is too large, the lodges being so widely distributed that it is impossible for a District Deputy to give each lodge proper attention, and I am pleased that M.W. Bro. Malone has given notice of motion to have it reduced in size and hope that some division will be made at this meeting of Grand Lodge.

I found that there were only seven lodges in the district that had not paid their full quota to the Semi-Centennial Benevolent Fund, but am pleased to report that each of them promised to pay up in full in the very near future.

The Secretary's and Treasurer's books in each case appeared to be well kept and in good order, most of the lodges having a nice balance to their credit in the bank.

I found quite a number of the lodges working under an old Constitution, some of them not knowing that there

was any other but the one they had and therefore I think it would be well that when an amended Constitution is issued that the Grand Secretary be instructed to at once send one to each lodge.

I also found complaint as to the new ballot-boxes, some of the lodges desiring to return to the old ballot-box claiming that the old style was more secret than the new, and I am not sure but their claim is right, as the hand cover on the new box is not nearly large enough and now, after the box has been in use for several years, I think it would be well for the Board of General Purposes to take the ballot-box into careful consideration.

FRATERNAL DEAD

The following deaths have been reported to me during the year: St. George's Lodge No. 88, Owen Sound—Walter Percy Wallace, December 11, 1911; Joseph James Jones, February 24, 1912; Norman Louis Wilson, March 15, 1912. Spry Lodge No. 385, Beeton—James M. Kindle, May 28, 1912. Dundalk Lodge No. 499, Dundalk—Bro. Watson, March 27, 1912. Manitoba Lodge No. 236, Cookstown—Henry Coleman, February 1, 1912. Kerr Lodge No. 230, Barrie—John Dymont, January 15, 1912. Pythagoras Lodge No. 137, Meaford—James Patterson, February 2, 1912. Orillia Lodge No. 192, Orillia—Gerald Thompson. Bro. Thompson was a member of Nipissing Lodge No. 420, North Bay, but died in Orillia, and the funeral was conducted by Orillia Lodge. Seven Star Lodge No. 285, Alliston—Thomas Stokes, March 24, 1912. North Star Lodge No. 322, Owen Sound—John Corbett Pringle, September 18, 1911; Harry Wright, Jr., October 15, 1911, and James Ernest Buchanan. Bro. Buchanan died at Gravenhurst, and was buried at Flesherton under the auspices of Prince Arthur Lodge. All of the above named deceased brethren were buried with Craft honours.

Orillia Lodge No. 192, Orillia.—I visited this lodge 25th January, 1912, when a Lodge of Instruction was held. There was a large attendance, over three hundred being present at the evening meeting. The lodge was opened at 2 p.m. Manito Lodge No. 90 Collingwood conferred the first degree in a very impressive manner. The W.M., Bro. Lawrence, and officers being

almost perfect in their work. The second degree was conferred by Orillia lodge No. 192 in such a manner that left very little opportunity for criticism. The third degree was conferred by Corinthian Lodge No. 96, Barrie in a splendid manner. all the officers from the W.M. down discharging their duties very creditably indeed. We had the pleasure of the presence of M.W., The Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Aubrey White and M.W. Bro. Harding, P.G.M. The brethren of Orillia and visiting brethren had the benefit of two splendid addresses from these eminent brethren of the Craft.

Prince Arthur Lodge No. 333, Flesherton.—Visited this lodge on February 2nd, 1912, when a Lodge of Instruction was held at same time. I had the valuable assistance of R.W. Bro. D. Rutherford of Owen Sound, P.G.R. The lodge was opened about 2 p.m. by Prince Arthur Lodge. The W.M., Bro. Ottwell and officers of the Prince Arthur Lodge No. 333 then initiated a candidate into the mysteries of Masonry in a very creditable manner, after which the W.M., Bro. McFarlane and officers of Hiram Lodge 490, of Markdale exemplified the second degree very well indeed. The lodge was then called off for refreshments and resumed labor at 8 o'clock when the third degree was conferred by the W.M., Bro. Van Dusen and officers of Dundalk Lodge No. 449 in an acceptable manner. The officers of the three lodges taking part in the degree work, seem to be putting forth every effort to carry out the ancient usages and established customs of the Craft. A few little discrepancies had crept into their work which I endeavoured to correct. I believe much good will result from this Lodge of Instruction.

I cannot close my report of my visit to Prince Arthur Lodge without referring to Bro. Blackburn the Secretary of this lodge. Bro. Blackburn has been an invalid for some 22 years, confined to his home almost continually during all that time and although at times suffering great pain yet he continues to be most cheerful and look upon the bright side of life rather than the dark. I had the pleasure of visiting Bro. and Mrs. Blackburn in their home and left them realizing that I had met two persons who put their hope and trust in the Great Architect of the Universe. Bro. Blackburn is a most enthusiastic Mason and keeps the lodge books in

a perfect manner. This lodge is in good financial condition and has a very comfortable lodge room.

Beaver Lodge No. 234, Clarksburg.—Visited Beaver Lodge February 6th, 1912, and met with a most cordial reception. W. Bro. T. E. Lord and staff of officers worked second degree in a very efficient manner. S. Warden's lecture well given. This is one of our best lodges; W. Bro. Dickinson has been Secy. for over 25 years and keeps his books perfectly. This lodge has comfortable lodge rooms and is in good financial condition. The success of the lodge is largely due to the untiring zeal of R.W. Bros. Pye and Kent, P.D.D.G.Ms. and the faithful work of the Secretary.

Manito Lodge No. 90, Collingwood.—Visited February 7th, 1912. This lodge is the strongest lodge in the district and has I think, the largest lodge rooms and is in good financial condition. W. Bro. Lawrence and officers passed two candidates in a most efficient manner. The S. Warden's lecture well given as was also the charge by a P.M. This lodge is fortunate in having several P.D.D.G.Ms. among its membership some of whom are nearly always present at lodge meetings, also an efficient Secretary. The books are in good shape and the lodge is doing good work.

Northern Light No. 266, Stayner.—Visited Northern Light February 8, 1912. This lodge is not large but has among its members some splendid masons. R.W. Bro. Bethune being very attentive and regular in attendance, supported very strongly by several P.Ms. especially the I.P.M., W. Bro. Bell, who I am told made a most efficient Master during his term. The lodge is now presided over by W. Bro. Young who can open and close in the three degrees but cannot work any of them. However he promised me that he would get at least the first and second before his term of office expired. I regret that the Secretary was not present and did not send all his books to lodge and I could not therefore make a proper examination of them.

Tottenham Lodge No. 467, Tottenham.—Visited this lodge Tuesday February 13th, 1912. This is one of the young lodges in the district, but is making good progress. The W.M., Bro. McCabe and his officers put on a second degree in a very creditable manner. Wardens

and Deacons work was very good. The Secretary's books very well kept. This lodge has very good prospects, it still owes a small balance to the Semi-Centennial Fund but expects to pay up same very shortly.

Spry Lodge No. 385, Beeton.—Visited Spry Lodge, February 14th. The W.M., Bro. Swan and his officers passed two candidates to the second degree, in an almost faultless manner. I had the J.W. give his lecture which was one of the best I have heard. The S.W. gave his lecture in splendid style. The charge was given by the Chaplain in a very impressive manner. Spry Lodge is one of our best lodges; is in good condition financially with its full quota to Semi-Centennial Fund all paid up. Secretary's books well kept. Several faithful Past Masters in regular attendance.

Simcoe Lodge No. 79, Bradford.—Visited Simcoe Lodge February 15th, 1912. This lodge is the oldest in the district and is doing very good work, but has not got very good quarters in which to meet, the lodge room is too small, but I was informed that they were going to get a larger room shortly. A second degree was worked by the W.M., Bro. T. E. Bell and his officers very nicely. We had the pleasure here of the presence of R.W. Bro. H. S. Broughton, P.D.D.G.M. of this district who is Treasurer of this lodge and retains a great interest in its welfare. This lodge is blessed with the faithful and regular attendance of several P.Ms.

St. George's Lodge No. 88 and North Star Lodge No. 322, Owen Sound.—Visited these two lodges February 28th when each lodge put on a first degree. The W.M., Bro. Chris. Taylor of St. George's was absent through sickness and his place was taken by P.M., J. A. Armour who with the other officers conferred the first degree in a most creditable manner. This is my mother lodge and I am pleased to say that the work is usually of high standard. The Secretary, Bro. Jno. M. Campbell, is a P.M. and keeps his books in fine shape and is present at every meeting. The W.M. of North Star Lodge No. 322, Bro. Chris. Barclay and his staff of officers were installed in December last, yet they put on the first degree in a very exemplary manner. This lodge is blessed with the regular attendance of two very faithful P.Ms., R.W. Bro. Rutherford and W. Bro. W. Tucker

who lend great assistance to the Master and other officers.

Both the above lodges are in good financial condition, and both meet in the same lodge room and harmony and good will exists between them.

Pythagoras Lodge No. 137, Meaford.—Visited this lodge March 1st, when a first degree was put on by the W.M., Bro. W. C. Wilson, and his staff of officers in a most creditable manner. Although this was the first degree worked since their installation in December. Pythagoras has a good staff of officers and several faithful P.Ms. so that I look for good work from this lodge.

Pythagoras Lodge has been highly honoured by having the Senior Warden, Bro. Chas. Sutherland, elevated to the Bench. The Government of the day having seen fit to appoint Bro. Sutherland to the position of Senior Judge of the County of Grey.

The Secretary of this lodge, Bro. F. A. Clark, is a P.M. and keeps his books in splendid shape.

Manitoba Lodge No. 236, Cookstown.—Visited March 5th, 1912. The W.M., Bro. Arnold, and officers exemplified the second degree. The work was well done, considering that the officers were only installed in December. This lodge is quite prosperous and doing very good work. The Secretary, Bro. W. G. McKay, is a P.M. and takes great interest not only in his duties as Secretary but in the whole work of the lodge.

Seven Star Lodge No. 285, Alliston.—Date of visit, March 6th, 1912. A first degree was put on in a very nice manner. The W.M., Bro. W. D. Allan, has his work well except he is a little too rapid in delivery, but no doubt he will improve with experience. Both Wardens have their lectures, and the delivery of the lecture in the South by the J.W., Bro. R. Murphy, was I think the best I have ever heard. The whole work of this lodge is very good and the lodge is quite prosperous. The lodge owns its own building and has very comfortable rooms.

Corinthian Lodge No. 96, Kerr Lodge No. 230, Barrie.—Visited both lodges March 7th, 1912. This is the first time that the Barrie lodges have joined together to receive the D.D.G.M. and I think the success of this meeting will warrant them continuing this ar-

rangement. A large number of the members of both lodges were present besides a number of visitors from other lodges. Corinthian Lodge exemplified the first degree and Kerr Lodge the second degree, and I am free to say that the work by these two lodges was about the best I have seen, every officer doing his work well, the work of the Deacons of both lodges being exceptionally good. The Barrie lodges have the good fortune to have two P.D.D.G.Ms., R. W. Bro. Monkman and R.W. Bro. Cowan, among their membership which perhaps accounts to some extent for efficiency in work. The W.M. of Corinthian, Bro. F. Redditt, and the W.M. of Kerr, Bro. Stephens, are two enthusiastic Masons and with their splendid staff of officers assisted by a faithful lot of P.Ms. ought to do some work during their term of office.

Nitetic No. 444, Creemore.—I visited Nitetic Lodge March 12th, 1912. The work of the evening was the first degree. The Master and officers appeared to know their work, but were somewhat doubtful of their ability to put it on, however with a little more experience I think they will be able to do the work very well. The W.M. surprised me very much by telling me that he never heard a charge from the book of Constitution given, and that he could not find the charges in the Constitution. However I pointed them out and advised that the charges be given to all candidates. We had the pleasure of the presence of R.W. Bros. Brown and Bethune, P.D.D.G.Ms. of this district. Nitetic is blessed with the faithful attendance of several P.Ms. among which we might mention W. Bro. Hood, one of the oldest members of the lodge. This lodge is improving.

Hiram Lodge No. 490, Markdale.—This is the second youngest lodge in the district and is presided over by a very enthusiastic Master, Bro. W. L. McFarland, and a capable set of officers. The Master and officers exemplified a third degree on the date of my visit, March 14th 1912, in a very satisfactory manner. A few corrections in the details of the work had to be given but as a whole Hiram Lodge is doing very good work for a young lodge. Bro. Caesar made a very capable Secretary and the lodge is in fair condition financially.

Lorne Lodge No. 377, Shelburne.—I had Lorne Lodge billed for March 15th, but owing to the snow

blockade in the railway I did not get there until 7 a.m. of the 16th. However I got the Master and most of the officers present in the lodge room in the forenoon along with a few other members and had them open in the three degrees and close down, and therefore got a good idea of how Lorne Lodge can work. This lodge apparently is able to do very good work and is in very good condition. R.W. Bro. Campbell, a P.D.D.G.M. of the district is Secretary and keeps the books in good shape.

Victoria Lodge No. 470, Victoria Harbour.—Visited Victoria Lodge March 27th, 1912. W. Bro. Brown and his staff of officers conferred a first degree very well indeed. This lodge has several very faithful P.Ms., among which might be mentioned W. Bro. Dr. Porter who is now Chaplain and fills the office with great credit, being possessed of good ability, and enters into all the work of the lodge with considerable spirit. Victoria Lodge is doing very well.

Georgian Lodge No. 348, Penetanguishene.—Visited this lodge March 28th, 1912. This lodge is presided over by a very capable Master, W. Bro. J. M. Dean, who is backed up by very efficient officers. A first degree was conferred in a manner that left very little room for correction. Georgian Lodge is doing very well. The lodge has for Tyler, W. Bro. G. A. Charlwood, who is in his fiftieth year as a Mason and is one of the most faithful members of the lodge, and the lodge, in the evening of my visit, did itself honour by presenting him with a purse of gold as a token of esteem and brotherly love taking the good brother completely by surprise.

Caledonian Lodge No. 249, Midland.—Visited March 25th, 1912. This is a good lodge with a large membership and in good financial condition, is presided over by a very capable set of officers, W. Bro. M. S. Keller is Master and is an untiring worker in the interest of the Craft, and I am pleased to say is backed up by a long list of enthusiastic P.Ms. On the date of my visit a third degree was worked in a very exemplary manner, which left very little room for criticism. A very pleasing feature of the evening was that the lodge presented R.W. Bro. Raikes, a past D.D.G.M. of this district with a set of regalia and two of their P.Ms. with Past Mas-

ter's jewels. The lodge has a very capable Secretary in the person of Bro. A. C. Adams, P.M.

Karnak Lodge No. 492, Coldwater.—Visited March 26th, 1912. This is the baby lodge of the district and is growing very nicely. W. Bro. Brown is Master and is very efficient and enthusiastic in his work, ably assisted by good officers. Two first degrees were worked very nicely only a few errors had to be pointed out. I think that Karnak Lodge will make good.

Minerva Lodge No. 304, Stroud.—Visited Minerva Lodge, 28th of May, 1912. A large number of members and visiting brethren were present. A first degree was exemplified by the W.M., W. Bro. L. J. Simpson, and officers in a very satisfactory manner. This lodge is doing remarkable good work and is composed of good material. I am pleased to report that the lodge has just purchased a lot on which they intend to build a new lodge room which is badly needed as their present quarters are altogether too small for this progressive lodge.

Coronation Lodge No. 466, Elmvale.—Visited this lodge, March 29th, 1912. The W.M., Bro. J. T. Foster, and his officers exemplified the first degree very efficiently. R.W. Bro. Sneath is Secretary, the books are in good keeping. This lodge like a number of others were working under an old Constitution and I advised them to get the latest at once. Coronation Lodge is doing very good work.

Dundalk Lodge No. 449, Dundalk.—Visited this lodge, February 26th, 1912. The W.M., Bro. Howes, was absent but the Master's chair was very efficiently filled by the I.P.M., Bro. A. E. Colgan. The work of the evening was the first degree which was very well done indeed by all the officers. The Secretary, Bro. J. T. Vandusen, is a P.M., and makes a very efficient officer. Dundalk Lodge is doing very good work.

Now that my work of D.D.G.M. is almost ended, allow me before closing my report to again express my appreciation of the courteous and fraternal manner in which I have been received and treated by the brethren throughout the district. I trust that my efforts have not been in vain and labor lost, but that I may possibly

have helped or at least encouraged each and all lodges in this district.

I shall ever remember and be deeply grateful for the many kindnesses and warm hospitality extended to me on all occasions.

Fraternally submitted.

GEO. MENZIES, D.D.G.M..

Georgian District No. 9.

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CA NADA, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.
Table Shewing the Work Done in Georgian District No. 9, from June 24th, 1911, to June 24th, 1912.

No. of Lodge	Name of Lodge	Location	Mem- bers'ip		Deg's Conf'd		Affiliations	Restorations	Suspensions, N.P.D.	Suspensions, other causes	Meet's held			Amount paid for relief	No. mem. 12 mths in arrears	Total of all arrearages	Date of last G. L. Return	Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W. M. work all degrees	Insurance
			Total No. of all Mem.	Increase during year	Decrease during year	E. A.	F. C.	M. M.			Regular	Emergency	Total								
79	Simcoe	Bradford	79	8	14	7	4	12	1	1	1	1	14	120	6	12	Dec.	\$100	Very good	Yes	\$200 00
80	St. George's	Owen Sound	178	14	14	13	12	13	1	1	1	1	18	120	20	217	Jan.	Good	Good	Yes	600 00
81	Manito	Collingwood	224	16	15	14	15	18	2	1	1	1	25	70	29	270	June	Good	Good	Yes	900 00
90	Corinthian	Barrie	207	9	8	7	8	1	1	1	1	1	35	20	27	257	Jan.	Good	Fine	Yes	650 00
137	Pythagoras	Meaford	123	6	3	4	4	1	1	1	1	1	22	20	6	40	June	Good	Good	Yes	650 00
192	Orillia	Orillia	226	13	11	12	11	1	1	1	1	1	15	71	10	150	Jan.	\$2000	Good	Yes	1500 00
230	Kerr	Barrie	128	13	20	13	7	1	1	1	1	1	25	25	13	150	Dec.	Good	Bright	Yes	1250 00
234	Beaver	Clarksburg	82	1	1	3	4	1	1	1	1	1	22	40	7	25	Dec.	Good	Good	Yes	300 00
236	Manitoba	Cookstown	70	6	3	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	19	5	0	.....	Dec.	Good	Good	Yes	1200 00
249	Caladonian	Midland	192	22	17	15	17	11	4	1	1	1	38	45	25	339	Dec.	Good	Good	Yes	1000 00
266	North. Light	Stayner	41	5	3	3	3	1	1	1	1	1	12	10	20	87	June	Good	Good	Yes	200 00
285	Seven Star	Alliston	84	7	4	3	3	1	1	1	1	1	15	10	10	25	Dec.	Good	Good	Yes	200 00
304	Munerva	Stroud	89	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	22	5	0	100	Dec.	Good	Good	Yes	900 00
322	North Star	Owen Sound	194	17	11	10	6	4	3	1	1	1	25	65	20	250	Jan.	\$1062.18	Good	Yes	250 00
333	Pr. Arthur	Flesherton	59	3	7	6	7	3	1	1	1	1	16	45	8	85	Dec.	Good	Fair	Yes	600 00
348	Georgian	Penelgaungshene	86	10	6	4	6	1	1	1	1	1	19	35	0	.....	Dec.	Good	Good	Yes	600 00
377	Lorne	Shelburne	79	3	7	6	7	3	1	1	1	1	16	30	.....	.....	Jan.	Excell't	Yes	.....	.....
385	Spry	Beeton	78	3	5	4	4	3	1	1	1	1	30	.....	.....	.....	Jan.	Good	Yes	.....	.....
444	Nitatis	Greenore	72	5	7	3	1	2	1	1	1	1	18	.....	.....	.....	March, 1912	\$72.53	Good	No	300 00
449	Dundalk	Dundalk	46	5	5	4	4	1	1	1	1	1	14	.....	.....	.....	Dec.	Good	Fair	Yes	400 00
466	Coronation	Elmvale	64	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	13	.....	.....	.....	Dec.	Good	Good	Yes	125 00
467	Tottenham	Tottenham	51	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	22	.....	.....	.....	Dec.	Good	Good	Yes	250 00
470	Victoria	Victoria Harbor	95	9	4	7	4	2	1	1	1	1	22	70	26	99	Dec.	\$730.39	Good	Yes	500 00
490	Hiram	Markdale	33	7	6	4	6	4	1	1	1	1	12	.....	.....	.....	Jan., 1912	Fair	Good	Yes	500 00
492	Karnak	Coldwater	32	9	3	5	5	2	1	1	1	1	18	.....	.....	.....	Jan.	Excell't	Yes	.....	600 00

NIAGARA DISTRICT No. 10

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario:

MOST WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BRETHREN:

I have much pleasure in presenting my report on the conditions of Masonry in Niagara District No. 10 for the past year.

I must first thank the brethren for the honour which they conferred upon me in electing me to the honourable and important position of D.D.G.M. for this district. I also wish to tender my sincere thanks to the brethren and officers for the very friendly and courteous manner in which I was received and entertained on my official visits. I find that Masonry is progressing favorably throughout the district and that the officers are well qualified to perform their duties and have done so in an able and efficient manner.

My first official act was to appoint Rev. D. Russel Smith, of McNab Lodge No. 169 District Chaplain, and W. Bro. J. R. Goring of Dufferin No. 338, District Secretary, and I wish to earnestly thank them for the able assistance they gave me.

I paid my first official visit to Hiram Lodge No. 319, Hagersville on November 30th, 1911. Owing to bad condition of the roads the meeting was not as large as was expected, nevertheless we had a very good meeting, about 35 members being present. In the absence of the Master, W. Bro. Trotter occupied the chair in the East and worked the first degree in a very satisfactory manner. After the work was through I made a strong appeal for the balance of their Semi-Centennial Benevolent Fund and they responded favorably by issuing a cheque for the full amount of their balance. This particularly pleased me as this was my first visit and to know that I met with such good success was very gratifying. The books were fairly well kept and the lodge is in good financial condition. W. Bro. Trotter seems to be the moving spirit in this lodge.

December 1st, 1911, I visited King Solomon Lodge No. 329, Jarvis.—This lodge received a heavy blow last

summer in the loss of their Master, W. Bro. Miller, after that they called off for the summer, and the occasion of my visit was their first meeting, and election of officers. W. Bro. Parsons very ably filled the chair in the East, there were about thirty members present. I was much impressed with the ability of the new officers elect, and I think we can expect good results from this lodge in the ensuing year. The books are in excellent shape and Bro. Noble is an efficient Secretary. I think the lodge met with a loss in not re-electing him, but he did not wish to retain it longer.

I made my official visit to Amity Lodge No. 32, Dunnville, on December 27th, 1911, this being their installation of officers. I was offered the honour of installing, but preferred to watch the work being done by others. This was one of the best attended meetings in the district, over 60 members present notwithstanding the bad roads. The officers were installed by W. Bro. Hastings assisted by W. Bros. Robb and Akins. Bro. Hastings has the work and lectures well memorized and it was a pleasure to see the correctness with which the work was done. Amity was behind considerably in their quota to the Semi-C. B. Fund, but upon my making an appeal for the balance, a motion was immediately moved and carried that an order be drawn on the Treasurer for the full amount. Amity has an able lot of new officers. I found the books well kept and the lodge is strong financially.

On July 25th, 1911, immediately after Grand Lodge Communication I received from the Grand Secretary a petition for a new lodge at Smithville, which lacked the recommendation of the D.D.G.M. which he asked me to supply along with other information. I immediately corresponded with the nearest lodges, viz., Union Lodge No. 7, Grimsby, Ivy No. 115, Beamsville and Dufferin No. 338, Wellandport, all of which reported that they had no objections providing a good flourishing lodge could be maintained. I then called upon Bro. Moffat the proposed Master, and asked him to arrange a meeting of the petitioners. This was done and upon being notified of the date I drove over and after listening to their story, and making several enquiries, and from the information gathered I came to the conclusion that a flourishing lodge could be maintained at Smithville,

without in any way encroaching on the territory of the existing lodges. I therefore recommended the petition.

Accordingly on December 16th I received notice from the Grand Secretary that the M.W. The Grand Master, had authorized him to issue a dispensation and requesting me to institute the lodge. Having previously arranged the date, on January 22nd 1912, I drove over to Smithville accompanied by a full sleigh load of the brethren from Dufferin Lodge, we found the brethren established in a very cosy and comfortable lodge room, nicely furnished. Assisted by W. Bros. Wilson and Fairbrother, of Ivy No. 115, W. Bro. Clark of Union No. 7, and a number of the brethren from Dufferin, I instituted the new lodge, named Coronation Lodge, and delivered the Dispensation to the Worshipful Master, and, I will be much disappointed if this does not grow up a strong and thriving lodge.

On January 25th, 1912, I visited Maple Leaf Lodge No. 103, St. Catherines. There was a good attendance, about fifty, including visitors. The work was exemplified in the first degree by W. Bro. Horton, assisted by W. Bros. Sherwood and Dyer, R.W. Bro. de la Rosa, and R.W. Bro. Merriman. There was little room for criticism and considering the officers were but recently installed, I had to congratulate them on the able manner in which they discharged their duties. W. Bro. Horton is fortunate in having so many able and willing P.Ms. to assist him in the work, which makes it easy for the Master but I can't say that it should be encouraged, for I think it has a tendency to make the Master careless in his own work. A notice of motion was given to raise the initiation fee to \$40. I find the books are well kept and the lodge is strong financially.

On January 29th, 1912, I visited Enniskillen Lodge No. 185, York—This is one of the most out of the way places to reach in the whole district. After 3 hours of a beautiful drive of twenty-six miles, we reached the lodge room where we found the handful of brethren in waiting. As they had no work the Master, W. Bro. Martindale, opened and closed the lodge in the different degrees. The Master was young and rather nervous but, with assistance he got through fairly well, about fifteen members present and although few in numbers they appear to be enthusiastic. I cannot see much chance for

this lodge to increase the membership much as they are hemmed in on all sides and have no territory to work in, the lodge is in good financial condition, they only lacked \$7 of their quota to the Semi-C. B. F. when I made this visit, but I have been informed since that they have raised the full amount and have shown the true Masonic spirit in doing their portion in this respect.

Ivy Lodge No. 115, Beamsville.—I made my official visit to this lodge on January 30th, 1912. We had a very enthusiastic meeting, about fifty members present, and several visiting brethren. W. Bro. Wilson did the work in the first degree, assisted by W. Bros. Fairbrother and Carr, in a manner which was almost above criticism. Ivy Lodge has a good membership, a fine lodge room, nicely furnished. This lodge owed considerable to the Semi-C. B. F. and I expected on this visit to meet with the same success I met with at the other lodges I had visited previously, and to go home with a cheque for the full amount but in this I was slightly disappointed, but I was pleased to see that there was a feeling that this should be paid, and considerable was paid in that night, and the W.M., who is in sympathy with the cause, promised me that he would do all in his power to collect the balance. I have since then received notice from the Grand Secretary, that he had received \$100 on account, and I trust that the balance will be paid in before Grand Lodge meets.

I found the books well kept and the lodge is in good financial condition.

February 1st, 1912, I visited Copestone Lodge No. 373, Welland. Owing to absence of the W.M., W. Bro. Tattersal took the chair and conferred the first degree in a very creditable manner. Copestone has taken a step forward in what I consider the right direction, in establishing a library composed of the best Masonic literature, this I think is a splendid idea and the first in the district to adopt it; nothing can be more useful or educating to the brethren than reading good Masonic books. The seating capacity of the lodge room was taxed to its utmost, several visiting brethren from Merritt Lodge, and across the border were present. Copestone has a very capable and painstaking Secretary,

W. Bro. Main, who keeps the books of the lodge in proper shape.

Palmer Lodge No. 372, Bridgeburg.—I visited this lodge on February 6th, 1912. W. Bro. Graham exemplified the second degree which was well done and considering that the officers had been but recently installed. I congratulated them on the able manner in which they executed their several duties. Palmer Lodge needs a new and larger room, and I was informed that they contemplate building or leasing more suitable quarters in the near future, I found the books well kept and the dues well paid up, this was a good meeting, every available seat was taken. Several visiting brethren from Buffalo were present. Palmer Lodge has some good material in its officers and we may expect good results.

On February 12th, 1912, I held Lodge of Instruction in Amity Lodge No. 32, Dunnville. We had a very enthusiastic meeting over 100 present and several lodges represented, the greatest difficulty in holding these Lodges of Instruction is to get a lodge room large enough to accommodate the brethren, and the second difficulty is to hold these lodges in such places as to be easily reached from the different parts of the district. This is impossible in this district situated as it is with such poor railway accommodations, whereas if these lodges could be held where they would be easy of access, in the evening, they would be better attended and far more beneficial. King Solomon Lodge No. 329, W. Bro. Aikins and his officers, worked the first degree, Inniskillen No. 185, worked the second degree and W. Bro. McGuire and officers of Amity No. 32, Dunnville, worked the third degree. The work was done so thoroughly that there was little room for criticism. I had the pleasure of meeting here R.W. Bros. Tipton and Amsden, also W. Bro. Archibald Couper, 91 years of age and the oldest living Mason in the world. Bro. Couper is in full possession of nearly all his faculties and enjoys the working of the degrees as much as the younger members. The W. Master read a congratulatory address to Bro. Couper from the brethren of Pollokshaws Royal Arch Lodge No. 153, Scotland, his mother lodge, congratulating him on having reached his 90th birthday, and having been 73 years a member of the Craft. Amity Lodge contains some old relics; I sat in the chair which

W. Bro. Amsden, father of the R.W. Bro. Amsden was first installed as Master of Amity Lodge, and the same chair in which R.W. Bro. Amsden was first installed.

I paid my official visit to Myrtle Lodge No. 337, Port Robinson, on February 17th, 1912. We had a fair attendance. W. Bro. Huffer conferred the first and second degrees very satisfactorily. Although not as large as some of the other lodges in the district, Myrtle Lodge is trying to hold her own. W. Bro. Higbe takes an active interest, the Secretary is very punctual and keeps his books in proper shape.

On February 29th, 1912, I visited Union Lodge No. 7, Grimsby. Owing to the absence of W.M. Bro. Kidd, through illness, the first degree was exemplified by W. Bro. Farrel, assisted by R.W. Bro. Drope; it is not necessary to comment on the way in which the officers of Union Lodge do their work, it is as near perfection as possible. Between 50 and 60 members present besides a number of visiting brethren. The lodge room was taxed to its full capacity. This was one of the best meetings I had in the district and if Union Lodge continues to prosper, it will have to enlarge its lodge room. I was presented with a copy of the history of the lodge, compiled by R.W. Bro. Drope from its records; it is very interesting reading, and is a credit to its author as well as a very useful and interesting document for its members. Union Lodge is to be congratulated on having a member who is able and willing to write such a history, and I think it would be well for other lodges to copy their example; what could be more instructive than for a member to be able to take from his library at his will a complete history of his lodge from its institution, and find the whole proceedings and the names of all its members. Union is in good condition financially and the books are well kept. Union Lodge is one of the most prosperous in the district.

St. John's Lodge No. 35, Cayuga.—I visited this lodge on Mar. 7th, 1912. I expected to see a larger attendance than I did, and they have accommodation for more members. W. Bro. Fuller conferred the first degree in a very creditable manner. W. Bro. Bunn is an enthusiastic Mason and a great assistance to St. John's Lodge, and takes a great interest in assisting

the new officers, but the lodge has suffered a great loss in the death of R.W. Bro. Hoshall. W. Bro. Sheppard is an efficient Secretary, the books are well kept and the lodge is in good condition.

On March 26th, 1912, I visited St. Mark's Lodge No. 105, Niagara Falls. This was a well attended meeting there was about 50 members present besides a number of visiting brethren from Clifton Lodge and across the line. W. Bro. Pickard exemplified the third degree, assisted by R.W. Bro. Garner, and W. Bros. Meyer, Murray and McCready, in a very creditable manner. V.W. Bro. Sloggett, is a very efficient Secretary and his books are well kept. St. Mark's is greatly opposed to the present form of balloting, and asked me to inform Grand Lodge of their disapproval of what they consider a non-secret ballot, and far from being as satisfactory as their old form. The work as a whole was above the average. I cannot refrain from complimenting the Deacons; I think their work was the best in the district. I was very much pleased with my visit and the condition of Masonry in St. Mark's Lodge.

Merritt No. 168, Welland.—I paid my official visit to this lodge on April 1st, 1912. There was a good attendance, about fifty being present. The third degree was exemplified by W. Bro. Hamilton assisted by W. Bros. Cohoe, and Goodwin, in a manner which was above criticism, the W. Master is fortunate in having so many able P.Ms. to assist him. Merritt has a good membership and an earnest lot of officers who are anxious to do their work as it should be done, and under the supervision of so many skilled P.Ms. we can look for nothing but good results in the future. I found the books well kept, dues well paid up, and the lodge strong financially.

On April 3rd I paid my official visit to King Edward VII Lodge No. 471, Chippawa. As some of the trains were late, I did not reach the lodge room until too late to see the work which was passing a candidate, but was in time to hear the lecture given by S.W. which was well delivered. While I regretted that I was not in time to see the work yet I admired the promptness in which Bro. Cameron opened his lodge and completed his work. I asked the Master to open and close the

lodge in the different degrees, and from the correctness in which it was done I was satisfied that the officers of King Edward VII Lodge required no instructions from me. I can also report that the Lodge is in good financial condition and the books in good shape.

Temple No. 296, St. Catherines.—I visited this lodge officially on April 24th, 1912. There was a good attendance, about sixty being present. W. Bro. Andrus and his officers exemplified the work in the first degree, and considering that this was the first work since they were installed, they deserved much praise for their efficiency. I found the books well kept, dues well paid up, and the lodge strong financially. This was another very enjoyable and profitable evening spent among the brethren.

On April 30th, 1912, I paid my official visit to St. George's Lodge No. 15, St. Catherines. This was a very good meeting. W. Bro. Smith initiated one candidate which was very satisfactorily performed; I admire the promptness in which Bro. Smith opened his lodge, I was only fifteen minutes late, nevertheless the initiation ceremony was in progress. I think it would be in the interest of the Craft if many of the other Masters in the district were to copy Bro. Smith's example. I found the books well kept, dues paid up, and the lodge in good standing. I am pleased to note the harmony which exists between the three lodges of the city, all meeting in the same room, a saving can be made in financing. Bro. Smith is an earnest and enthusiastic Mason and has the interest of his lodge at heart.

Seymour Lodge No. 277, Port Dalhousie.—I visited this lodge officially on May 1st, 1912. There was a good number present, W. Bro. Holland exemplified the work in the third degree on two candidates, W. Bros. Waugh and Johnson assisted; the work was well done but like most of the Masters, he was not in possession of the latest change in the work. Seymour is doing good work and is in good standing, but needs a new lodge room, or better ventilation in the one they have.

On May 2nd, 1912, I paid my official visit to Clifton Lodge No. 254, Niagara Falls. I think this was one of the largest attended meetings in the district, they have as large and as comfortable a lodge room as there is in the district, and every seat available was occupied. W.

Bro. Jackson and his efficient staff exemplified the work in the third degree which was very satisfactorily done. I was much impressed with the correctness with which the candidate was prepared regarding his proficiency in the former degrees. As regards membership, quality of work done, financial standing, manner of keeping the books, Clifton Lodge stands among the best in the district.

Niagara Lodge No. 2, Niagara.—I paid my official visit to this old historic lodge on May 15th, 1912. This was at an emergent meeting and at the request of the lodge owing to the Military camp being in full swing at the time of their regular meeting, May 29th. This was the first time I had the pleasure of visiting this lodge and I was right royally received, work was exemplified in the first and second degrees by W. Bro. Roland in a very creditable manner. This lodge has not as large a membership as some of the other lodges but they are very enthusiastic and energetic band of Masons, having spent large sums of money in rebuilding, beautifying, and adorning their Temple until they have one of the largest and most beautifully furnished lodge rooms in the district. I found the books well kept and dues well paid up, the Master informed me that there was not more than \$30 outstanding, one of the best showings in this respect in the district.

On May 27th, 1912, I paid my official visit to Coronation Lodge, U.D., Smithville. I learned that they were about to ask for a warrant at the next communication of Grand Lodge, and as I instituted the lodge on January 22nd, believed that I would be asked to report on the progress they were making, I was anxious to see for myself what was being done. W. Bro. Moffat worked the first degree on three candidates, in a manner that was above criticism, and considering that the officers had been but a short time in office, they certainly deserved much praise. Coronation Lodge started with fifteen members, and now they have thirty and some applications. They have leased and fitted up a comfortable and cosy lodge room, have it nicely furnished and paid for, and they have \$200 in the treasury. I was pleased to learn that the new members are the very best class of citizens in the village. I look for good results from Coronation Lodge.

I paid my official visit to McNab Lodge No. 169, Port Colborne, on May 28th, 1912. The evening was very stormy, but notwithstanding we had a good meeting. A good portion of the evening was spent in balloting for candidates, no less than ten applications were casted on. The first degree was conferred by W. Bro. Bowden, and the manner in which the work was performed, it would be only the severe critic that could find any ground for action. McNab Lodge is in good financial condition, the books are well kept and the prospects are bright. The brethren have made arrangements for securing more suitable lodge rooms. W. Bro. Bowden is a very energetic Master, and he has several able P.Ms. to assist him.

On June 24th, 1912, I visited Dufferin Lodge No. 338, Wellandport. I left this visit to the last, hoping by my experience I might be the better enabled to instruct the brethren of my own lodge, and that they might profit by my advice. This was the installation of officers, and I was requested by the Master, W. Bro. Thompson, to perform the ceremony, but as the W.M.-elect was absent through illness, we were unable to proceed with the ceremony. There were two candidates slated for initiation, and both failed to put in an appearance: this left no work for the evening. This was a well attended meeting; a yacht load of visiting brethren from Welland added considerably to the number. Unlike most lodges in the district, Dufferin Lodge owns its own lodge room and is free of incumbrance, but I regret that the lodge has not taken steps to collect their outstanding dues. The amount is large, and if it was collected it could be used to advantage. I think, from the new officers, better results will be obtained.

As regards the proposed change of Grand Lodge meeting, every lodge that I consulted on this question was strongly in favor of continuing as in the past, and expressed their opinion that the good old summer time was good enough for Grand Lodge.

FIRE ESCAPES.

I find that very few lodges in the district are equipped with fire escapes for the safe exit of the brethren in case of fire.

SEMI-CENTENNIAL BENEVOLENT FUND.

At the beginning of the year there were four lodges in this district that owed a portion to this fund, but I am pleased to report that, with the exception of a small balance from one lodge, I have succeeded in collecting the full amount, and I expect that before this report is received in Grand Lodge that balance will be paid and this district will have done its full duty in this respect. Many thanks to the brethren for the prompt response to my appeal for the final payment of their quota to this fund.

FRATERNAL DEAD.

The following deaths have been reported to me during the year: R.W. Bro. Hoshal, P.D.D.G.M., Niagara District No. 10. St. John's Lodge No. 35; W. Bro. Rose, Seymour Lodge No. 277; W. Bro. Walton, Seymour Lodge No. 277; W. Bro. Scholfield, Amity Lodge No. 32; Bro. Haney, Amity Lodge No. 32; Bro. Goring, Maple Leaf Lodge No. 103; Bro. Clark, Clifton Lodge No. 254; Bro. Ott, Merritt Lodge No. 168; Bro. Rev. Archdeacon Belt, King Solomon Lodge No. 329.

In closing this report I wish to state that I have enjoyed my work very much. I have formed the acquaintance of many distinguished and zealous workers in Masonry, whom I otherwise would probably never have met. I am pleased to report that the greatest harmony prevails throughout the district, not one single case of discord having reached my ears. I was also pleased to notice on my official visits that the officers were prompt to act on any suggestions of the D.D.G.M. No officer could have been better entertained or more loyally or courteously received than I was on every occasion, and I bespeak the same kind treatment for my successor.

Fraternally submitted,

R. J. GRACEY, D.D.G.M.,

Niagara District No. 10.

TORONTO WEST DISTRICT No. 11.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario:

MOST WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BRETHREN:

I have great pleasure in submitting to you the following report on the condition of Masonry in this district for the year ending June 29th, 1912.

Before proceeding, let us pause for a moment and express our thanks and gratitude to the G.A.O.T.U. for His protecting care and guidance, and for the blessings we have received during the past year.

I wish first to place on record my gratitude to the brethren of the district for the confidence placed in me by my election to the high office of D.D.G.M. of this fast-growing and banner district, and of the kind consideration extended to me by the M.W. the Grand Master, the members of Grand Lodge and many other members throughout the district during my severe illness. To R.W. Bro. W. F. Bilger I am extremely thankful for the assistance given me on several occasions, particularly in connection with the joint Lodge of Instruction held in the Temple Building on October 26th, and for the inspection of the work in my own lodge.

I was fortunate in having for my Secretary W. Bro. Percy W. Rogers; and I cannot express in too high terms my sincere thanks to him for the work he has done and the sacrifice he has made to accompany me on my official visits, and his attention to the secretarial work of the district.

In submitting my report I will endeavor to comply with the recommendation of the Committee on the condition of Masonry and be as brief as possible, and I trust the brethren of the district will not think me ungrateful if mention is not made of the many kindnesses and warm receptions which they have extended to me.

CONDITION GENERALLY.

The condition generally throughout the district, with the exception of one lodge, is bright and prosperous. Peace and harmony prevail, large numbers are

being added to our ranks, there are very few officers not proficient in their work, and I have not been called upon to settle any differences during my term of office. The city lodges as a rule have more applicants than they can properly initiate without a great deal of strenuous work and weekly meetings. I am of the opinion that the work would be better exemplified and the candidates better impressed if the number to be initiated each year by each lodge were limited. (See details in tabulated report herewith attached.)

THE WORK.

The work throughout the district is being exemplified in a uniform manner and in accordance with the requirements of Grand Lodge; only in a few instances had I to suggest slight alterations. It is worthy of note that in most of the lodges appropriate music is being used for the ceremonial work, which adds greatly to the impressiveness of the ceremonies, and does much to attract the younger members, and I trust that at some future date a standard musical ritual will be authorized by the Grand Lodge.

The work of the Secretaries is worthy of comment. Most of the lodges have Past Masters as permanent Secretaries, who have become so familiar with the work that they are a strength to the Worshipful Master and greatly aid in the progress of the lodge.

OUTSTANDING DUES.

The tabulated report will show that the outstanding dues are large, and many lodges are lax in this matter, but as most of them are adopting the system of lessening the amount if paid before a certain date, there is no doubt this will help considerably to overcome the difficulty.

SEMI-CENTENNIAL FUND.

I am pleased to be able to report that this fund is paid in full in this district.

LODGE OF INSTRUCTION.

In conjunction with R.W. Bro. W. F. Bilger, D. D. G.M. of Toronto East District, a Lodge of Instruction was held in the Temple Building on Oct. 28th. At 3 p.m. the E.A. degree was conferred by Alpha Lodge;

at 4 p.m. the F.C. degree was conferred by Wilson Lodge, and at 7.30 the M.M. degree was conferred by Doric Lodge. The work exemplified by the respective lodges was most satisfactory. With three exceptions, every lodge in the district was represented, as well as a number of the Grand Lodge officers, including the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Aubrey White, and the Deputy Grand Master, R.W. Bro. W. D. McPherson.

INSTITUTION OF CONNAUGHT LODGE.

It was my privilege, under instructions from the Grand Master, to institute Connaught Lodge, situated in the town of Mimico, on Thursday, January 11th, 1912, with the assistance of R.W. Bro. W. F. Bilger, V.W. Bro. Riggs, W. Bros. A. Lynn, R. E. Port, R. H. McKerihan, Raymond Walker Jr., Percy W. Rogers and Bro. W. H. Black. The ceremony of institution was performed in accordance with Grand Lodge regulations, the following being the officers named in the dispensation, viz.: W. Bro. Geo. S. Brown, W.M.; W. Bro. F. F. Reeves, S.W.; W. Bro. O. L. Hicks, J.W. During the evening W. Bro. Black, on behalf of Mimico Lodge, made a presentation of a beautiful Bible. The lodge is situated in a fast-growing suburb of the city of Toronto, located in comfortable quarters, well equipped with all the necessary furniture and regalia, and, as all its first officers are well and truly tried members of the Craft, their future should be successful and prosperous.

DEDICATION OF THE MASONIC HALL, CALEDON EAST.

As directed by the M.W. the Grand Master, it was a pleasing duty for me to conduct the dedication services on October 6th, 1911, of the new Masonic Hall, erected in the village of Caledon East, for Peel Lodge No. 468, assisted by R.W. Bro. A. J. Brown, P.D.D.G.M., V.W. Bro. R. Ferguson, W. Bros. F. N. Stevens, G. A. Norton, James Follis, John Carr, John Graham, and Percy W. Rogers. The Square, Level and Plumb rules were properly applied, the Bro. Architect's skill displayed, and with corn, wine and oil the ceremonies were performed in accordance with the prescribed form, custom and usage. Following the ceremonies, the officers exemplified the work of the M.M. degree in a very efficient manner. The building is two stories in.

height, and is constructed of concrete blocks, the lodge room on the upper floor having a seating capacity of 75. The lodge room is tastefully decorated and furnished with all the requisites necessary for Masonic purposes. The ground floor is to be used for social events. The unpaid balance on the building has been guaranteed by the members. The lodge is in a flourishing condition, and has overpaid its quota to the Semi-Centennial Fund.

No. 22, King Solomon's, Toronto, W. Bro. J. McL. Hartley, W.M.—Visited March 14th. Work E.A. degree. This lodge, the oldest in the district, with an active lot of P.Ms., including the M.W. the Grand Master, must progress and prosper. I am pleased to report that the W.M. and the staff of officers for the present year are keeping up its high reputation for good work, well-attended meetings and good-fellowship. The W.M. is not only active in his own lodge, but through the district; he has visited most of the lodges, both in and out of the city.

No. 54, Vaughan, Maple, W. Bro. J. T. Pollock, W.M.—Visited April 30th. Work E.A. degree. This lodge still maintains its high standing in the district, although situated in a small community and not having the opportunity of adding many to its numbers. Regular meetings are being held, harmony and a true fraternal spirit prevails and good work is being done by an able staff of officers. During the year several fraternal visits have been made to sister lodges throughout the district.

No. 65, Rehoboam, Toronto, W. Bro. John W. Archibald, W.M.—Visited April 4th. Work E.A. degree. This lodge is presided over by a most enthusiastic and proficient Master, assisted by a most efficient staff of officers, never lacking in their efforts to keep the lodge up to the high standard which it holds in the district. The work is being well exemplified and the degrees conferred in an excellent manner, aided by most appropriate music. The meetings largely attended and the warm fraternal greeting always extended to visiting brethren makes it one of the most popular lodges in the district.

No. 86, Wilson, Toronto, W. Bro. Ernest A. Lewis,

W.M.—Visited February 20th. Work E.A. degree. A special night was prepared for my official visit, which was largely attended by the city lodges. The work was conferred in a creditable manner, although, it being early in the year, some of the officers had not got in "working trim." The W.M. is most sincere and energetic, feeling deeply his responsibility. With the able assistance of R.W. Bro. Carlton and other distinguished P.Ms., the lodge is enjoying prosperity and good-fellowship.

No. 98, True Blue, Bolton, W. Bro. H. W. Shoemaker. W.M.—Visited May 3rd. Work E.A. degree. This lodge, though not large in numbers, is comfortably situated in its own hall, holding regular meetings, adding to its numbers, and the members enjoying the true light and spirit of Masonry. The officers are efficient and doing good work.

No. 118, Union, Schomberg.—Visited May 27th. Work F.C. degree. Prior to my visit to this lodge, meetings had not been held for some months, and on investigation I found that some slight dissensions had occurred amongst the members, and as the W.M. had been moved from the village the lodge was "like sheep without a shepherd," but I am pleased to report that on the night of my visit no trouble was apparent. There was a large attendance, the chair being occupied by W. Bro. Robert Stewart, who, with the regular officers, conferred the F.C. degree in a manner comparable to any I have seen in the district. The work of Bro. Robt. Armstrong, S.W., was especially commendable. Since my visit Bro. Robt. Armstrong has been elected to the chair, and prosperity will doubtless prevail under his able Mastership.

No. 156, York, North Toronto, W. Bro. John T. Watson. W.M.—Visited April 19th. Work E.A. degree. "Good"—this is true of York Lodge—good attendance, good officers, good work, good music, good lot of fellows, "good prospects," and rapidly adding to its membership. I was not surprised to find these conditions on account of this being the mother lodge of my predecessor, R.W. Bro. A. J. Brown, who has so well instructed the officers as to the requirements of Grand Lodge and the uniformity of the work.

No. 229, Ionic, Brampton.—Visited May 7th. Work

M.M. degree. This lodge, under the able guidance of W. Bro. James Fallis for a second term, is enjoying every prosperity. The W.M. is not only a magnet in his own lodge, but to all who know him. He is surrounded by a number of able Past Masters and good officers doing admirable work. R.W. Bro. W. H. McFadden still "sways the pen," and a great deal of the success of the lodge is due to his good and proficient work as Secretary. On the night of my visit many brethren from River Park, Peel and Alpha Lodges were present, and a most enjoyable evening was spent. The members are looking forward to having a new hall with more adequate accommodation to meet the demands of its steady growth.

No. 247, Ashlar, Toronto, W. Bro. F. J. Coombs, W.M.—Visited January 23rd. Work E.A. degree. This lodge has probably the largest number of P.G. Lodge officers of any in the district, and still maintains its high standing. It was not until a late hour that I was permitted to enter and inspect the work, which I am pleased to report was exemplified in a creditable manner by all the officers. In the absence of the J.W., W. Bro. Saunders filled the chair in the South.

No. 265, Patterson, Thornhill, W. Bro. E. A. James, W.M.—Visited May 22nd. Work E.A. degree. This lodge has made considerable progress during the year. The officers are all "live fellows," having the interest of the lodge at heart, proficient in their work, and with a determination to "go ahead." R.W. Bro. J. E. Francis is still energetic and is instrumental in keeping the work up to the standard. Extensive alterations are being made to their lodge room, which when complete will be very comfortable and afford much better facilities for carrying on the work.

No. 292, Robertson, King, W. Bro. C. D. Munro, W.M.—Visited May 27th. At the request of the Secretary it was arranged that I should pay my official visit at their regular meeting in May. I arrived at the hall at 8 o'clock and found the lodge room in darkness, with no one present. After waiting some time the Secretary and one P.M. arrived, but as this was not a sufficient number to open the lodge, I inspected the books, which had recently been taken over by Bro. H. W. Steele. and

found them in a satisfactory condition. The minute book shows that most of the meetings did not open until 9.30 to 10.30, owing to there being an insufficient number present at the regular hour. During the year a number of the old members have left the village, including W. Bro. Carley and the W.M., who is at present residing in Toronto. There are at the present time only four members residing in the village. The lodge room is not in a very satisfactory condition, and owing to some difficulty cannot be purchased or renovated. I regret that I cannot report this lodge as prosperous, and do not see much prospect of future progress. (See tabulated report.) Since my visit I have learned that the Secretary has gone to England.

No. 305, Humber, Weston, W. Bro. H. J. Alexander, W.M.—Visited March 22nd. Work E.A. degree. This lodge, with a most able Master and a good staff of officers and an energetic lot of Past Masters, all working together, is enjoying prosperity and conferring the work as required by the Grand Lodge, and in a manner highly commendable.

No. 311, Blackwood, Woodbridge, D. Norton, W.M.—Visited May 31st. Work E.A. degree. This lodge, although not growing very fast numerically, still maintains its standing for good work and good fellowship. The members are a most energetic lot of brethren, and I have no fear for their prosperity.

No. 326, Zetland, W. Bro. Geo. H. Smith, W.M.—Visited April 26th. Work E.A. degree. It is impossible to do this lodge justice in a short report. It is too well known throughout the length and breadth of the land to permit the conduct of its affairs and its work to be anything but of the highest standard. Punctuality was the first thing I observed, and the keynote to the work of all the officers. The work was impressive and beautifully conferred, the brethren taking part in the musical ritual. To the W.M. I want to add a word of praise. He is a most able Master and lover of the whole fraternity.

No. 346, Occident, Toronto, W. Bro. W. S. Leach, W.M.—Visited March 20th. Work, E. A. degree. One of the largest gatherings I have attended during my term of office. As is shown by the tabulated table

attached, this lodge is adding to its numbers and has a most satisfactory showing throughout the year. The exemplification of the work is being done in a most satisfactory manner by a good staff of officers and an able Master.

No. 356, River Park, Streetsville, W. Bro. J. W. Roswell, W.M.—Visited March 26th. Work M.M. degree. This was the first of my official visits at which the M.M. degree was conferred, and although the work was not as perfect as it should be, yet it was done in an impressive manner by a good staff of officers. Steady progress is being made, and at a great sacrifice, this lodge paid its quota to the S. C. Fund, which completed the full amount due by the district.

No. 369, Mimico, Lambton Mills, W. Bro. V. R. Ide, W.M.—Visited May 28th. Work E.A. degree. Since the institution of Connaught Lodge, Mimico, a number of the active brethren have withdrawn from this lodge and affiliated with it. This, however, has not lessened the enthusiasm of the brethren. They stand second, numerically, amongst the rural lodges, have a good staff of officers, and are doing excellent work. Their meetings are regularly attended by brethren from the city, and their annual "Strawberry Night" in June is always a great night for the visiting brethren. W. Bro. W. S. Milne of Doric Lodge was present and addressed the brethren. His remarks were full of good sound Masonic teaching, leaving with his hearers food for thought and new ideas on some of the fundamental principles of Craft work.

No. 384, Alpha, Toronto, W. Bro. R. H. McKerihen, W.M.—Visited March 7th. Work E.A. degree. This being my mother lodge, R.W. Bro. W. Bilger, D.D.G.M. of Toronto East District, kindly consented to accompany me on my official visit and inspect the work. The R.W. Bro. assured me that the exemplification of the work was quite satisfactory, and he highly complimented the W.M. and officers on their proficiency. The lodge is the third largest in the district, and it owes most of its success to the loyalty and regular attendance of its Past Masters.

No. 426, Stanley, Toronto, W. Bro. Wm. Spears, W.M.—Visited April 2nd. Work E.A. degree. This

was one of the most enthusiastic and well-attended meetings visited during the year. The exemplification of the work was excellent. The brethren of this and its sister lodges are keeping pace with the rapid growth of this part of the city. The qualities of its members are good, and they possess a good aggressive staff of officers working under a most efficient and able Master.

No. 438. Harmony, Toronto, W. Bro. J. F. Foster, W.M.—Visited February 26th. Work E.A. degree. I visited this lodge shortly after the installation of the officers for the ensuing year, very short notice being given of my visit. Under these circumstances one might not expect to see the work proficient, but I am pleased to report the exemplification of the E.A. degree was equal to any in the district, which speaks well for the presiding Master and his staff. The Past Masters take a great interest in its welfare and prosperity.

No. 474, Victoria, Toronto, W. Bro. W. H. Whetter, W.M.—Visited April 16th. Work E.A. degree. This lodge heads the list in the district for adding to its membership, and not only is it progressing numerically, but in all branches of its Masonic life. This was the largest representative meeting I attended officially during the year, almost every lodge in the district was represented. The work of the E.A. degree was good and well put on. The W.M. is well supported by a good staff of officers and a live lot of Past Masters. This should be a banner year for them. The interest of the evening was very much added to by an explanation of the preparation and initiation by R.W. Bro. E. M. Carlton. This is now the fourth largest lodge in the district.

No. 481, Corinthian, Toronto, W. Bro. J. T. Orr, W.M.—Visited April 22nd. Work E.A. degree. I was much impressed with the cordial reception given to me and the visiting brethren by this lodge. The meeting, though not large, had a warmth about it characteristic of the reputation of the lodge for good fellowship. The ambition of this young lodge is, not to increase numerically, but to instil a true fraternal feeling amongst its members and to those who fraternize with them. They have been fortunate in taking into their membership many brethren possessing musical talent,

which adds much to their work and sociability. The officers are all active and energetic and doing good work.

No. 496, University, Toronto, W. Bro. Chas. W. Dill, W.M.—Visited March 28th. Work E.A. degree. It was thought wise by the officers and members, early in the year, owing to the S.W. leaving the city, to elect W. Bro. Dill as W.M. A great deal of credit is due the W. Bro. for his activity and aggressiveness, which have brought this young lodge into prominence and kept it proficient in its work. Unfortunately the W. Bro. had to leave the city before his term expired, but there is no doubt his good work will bear fruit and do much to strengthen the lodge in its infancy. W. Bro. John Brennan has been elected unanimously to fill the vacancy for the balance of the year, and the lodge under such an able brother cannot lag. The officers are an exceptionally bright and capable staff, worthy of advancement, and there is every prospect of prosperity. I am glad to know that my worthy Secretary, W. Bro. Percy W. Rogers, is an affiliated Past Master, who, I am sure, will give able assistance to the officers.

In conclusion, I trust I have fulfilled the duties satisfactorily to the brethren. Whatever my failings have been, I have endeavored to do my duty and to instil into the brethren the privilege it is to belong to our great fraternity, and the great lessons we should learn from its teachings, which will strengthen us in our daily walks of life and better fit us for that Grand Lodge above where the World's Great Architect reigns for ever and ever.

Fraternally submitted,

H. C. SCULLY, D.D.G.M.,
Toronto West District No. 11.

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

Table Shewing the Work Done in Toronto West District No. 11, from June 24th, 1911, to June 24th, 1912.

No. of Lodge	Name of Lodge	Location	Mem- bership		Total No. of all Mem.	Increase during year		Decrease during year		E. A.	F. C.	M. M.	Affiliations			Resignations	Suspensions, other causes	Meet's held			Aver. atten'ce of members	Amount paid for relief	No. mem. 12 mths in arre'rs	Total of all arrearages	Date of last G. L. Return	Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W. M. work all degrees	Insurance
			Total No. of all Mem.	Increase during year		Decrease during year	B. A.	F. C.	M. M.				Regular	Emergent	Total			Regular	Emergent	Total									
22	K. Solomon	Toronto	316	16	21	19	19	3	0	1	7	11	9	20	180	00	29	148	25	Dec., 1911	Good	Bright	Yes	Trust					
54	Vaughan	Maple	43	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	10	10	10	13	5	00	4	25	00	Dec., 1911	Good	Good	Yes	\$1500 00					
65	Rehoboth	Toronto	461	16	19	23	21	1	3	3	11	17	28	90	238	84	15	101	30	Jan. 28, '12	Good	Excellent	Yes	100 00					
86	Wilson	Toronto	350	10	14	12	19	12	1	4	4	12	10	7	17	95	71	88	56	470	85	Dec., 1911	Good	Good	Yes	200 00			
98	True Blue	Bolton	59	4	1	4	2	2	1	1	1	8	8	10	10	10	17	39	00	Dec., 1911	Good	Fair	Yes	1400 00					
118	Union	Schenberg	56	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	10	20	30	56	89	28	116	50	June, 1911	Good	Good	Yes	1000 00					
156	York	Toronto	213	14	9	10	14	12	4	3	1	2	10	8	18	24	30	00	3	21	75	Dec., 1911	Good	Good	Yes	400 00			
229	Tonic	Brampton	122	9	3	8	9	1	1	1	1	4	10	8	18	74	112	90	9	53	00	Dec., 1911	Excellent	Good	Yes	2400 00			
275	Ashlar	Toronto	378	5	17	17	16	3	11	1	2	13	3	16	19	112	90	9	53	00	Dec., 1911	Good	Good	Yes	200 00				
285	Patterson	Thornhill	68	8	2	5	4	4	3	1	2	11	11	11	10	10	10	12	65	05	Dec., 1911	Good	Good	Yes	200 00				
292	Robertson	King	44	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	11	11	11	10	10	10	24	145	75	Dec., 1911	Good	Good	Yes	300 00				
305	Humber	Weston	88	9	2	9	6	6	1	1	1	11	11	11	10	10	10	24	145	75	Dec., 1911	Good	Good	Yes	300 00				
311	Blackwood	Woodbridge	66	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	11	11	11	10	10	10	24	138	37	Dec., 1911	Good	Bright	Yes	300 00				
326	Zetland	Toronto	570	22	24	27	23	23	1	1	1	11	11	11	10	10	10	24	138	37	Dec., 1911	Good	Good	Yes	Trust				
346	Occident	Toronto	327	15	24	27	23	22	1	2	3	11	11	11	10	10	10	6	80	00	Dec., 1911	Good	Good	Yes	O.K.				
356	River Park	Streetsville	65	5	5	5	5	5	1	2	3	11	11	11	10	10	10	17	190	00	Dec., 1911	Good	Good	Yes	200 00				
369	Mimico	Lambton Mills	119	7	6	8	11	1	1	6	1	11	11	11	10	10	10	17	190	00	Jan., 1912	Good	Good	Yes	700 00				
384	Alpha	Toronto	439	16	34	23	26	5	1	4	7	11	11	11	10	10	10	30	207	10	Dec., 1911	Good	Good	Yes	560 00				
426	Stanley	Toronto	328	22	27	18	13	1	1	4	3	11	11	11	10	10	10	27	576	25	Dec., 1911	Good	Good	Yes	1000 00				
438	Harmony	Toronto	390	9	27	22	14	2	2	12	7	11	11	11	10	10	10	30	207	10	Dec., 1911	Good	Good	Yes	O.K.				
468	Peel	Caledon East	61	11	11	7	10	1	1	1	1	11	11	11	10	10	10	2	13	00	Jan. 10, '12	Fair	Excellent	Yes	1200 00				
474	Victoria	Toronto	155	23	19	21	20	4	1	1	1	11	11	11	10	10	10	2	13	00	Jan. 10, '12	Good	Good	Yes	Trust				
481	Corinthian	Toronto	102	10	10	9	6	1	1	1	1	11	11	11	10	10	10	3	61	00	Jan., 1912	Good	Good	Yes	200 00				
496	University	Toronto	113	12	10	10	10	5	1	3	1	10	6	16	23	40	00	3	61	00	Dec., 1911	Good	Good	Yes	None				
501	Connaught	Mimico	50	18	7	5	4	11	1	1	1	6	3	9	20	10	10	1	14	00	June, 1912	Good	Good	Yes	500 00				

TORONTO EAST DISTRICT No. 11a.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario:

MOST WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BRETHREN:

I have the honour of presenting to you my report as D.D.G.M. of Toronto East District No. 11a for the past Masonic year. In doing so I wish first to express my sincere appreciation and thanks for the honour conferred upon me when elected to the high and responsible office of D.D.G.M. in this banner district. In assuming the position, I did so with no little misgiving and reluctance, but, realizing the responsibilities and duties incumbent upon me, I have endeavored to faithfully and conscientiously discharge my duty. For any shortcomings and failures on my part I ask the broad mantle of Masonic charity.

I am pleased to report that Toronto East District is enjoying a full measure of prosperity, and that harmony prevails throughout the district. Substantial increase to membership has been in evidence, and after a careful investigation I am confident that the increase represents true and worthy material.

It was my pleasure and privilege to make an official visit to each lodge. In some lodges I was received on several occasions. I was also in attendance when lodges were doing honour to our distinguished G.M., M.W. Bro. Aubrey White, whose visits always proved a source of inspiration to the officers and members. In all my visits I endeavored to impress upon the members the duties and responsibilities they assumed in becoming Masons, and that the best and truest test of their Masonic connection was the daily practice and exemplification of our Masonic tenets and principles. I trust my efforts in that respect have helped some of our members to think more seriously and sincerely of their privileges and obligations as Masons.

On every hand I was received with unfailing courtesy and consideration. For the many kindnesses extended to me I am deeply grateful.

LODGE OF INSTRUCTION.

In conjunction with my worthy colleague, R.W. Bro. H. C. Scully, D.D.G.M. of Toronto West District, a Lodge of Instruction was held in the Masonic Hall, Temple Building, Toronto, on October 28th, when nearly 300 members were present. At this meeting twenty of the twenty-two lodges in Toronto East District were represented. We were honored with the presence of M.W. Bro. Aubrey White, G.M., and R.W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, D.G.M. As D.D.G.M. I feel under a deep obligation to the Grand Master, whose assistance and practical suggestions were thoroughly appreciated by all. The first degree was conferred by W. Bro. W. R. Ledger, W.M., and officers of Alpha Lodge No. 384; the second degree by W. Bro. J. H. Walterhouse, W.M., and officers of Doric Lodge No. 316, and the third degree by W. Bro. Lynn, W.M., and officers of Wilson Lodge No. 86. An interesting discussion followed each degree.

THE WORK.

On the whole, the lodges are doing good work. The personnel of the officers of the several lodges was quite above the average. I invariably found the W.M. and his officers enthusiastic, zealous and painstaking. For zeal and interest in Craft matters they would be found second to none in the jurisdiction. With one exception, a degree was conferred at each official visit. Not only were officers anxious to do the work properly and impressively, but in many lodges—I believe the number is increasing—candidates for advancement were required to give exceptional proof of proficiency. I was glad to note that several W.Ms. insist on examinations in the third degree. This examination is frequently neglected, and the newly-raised candidate is the loser. I believe that every W.M. should insist on the M.M. examination before a member receives his Grand Lodge certificate.

SEMI-CENTENNIAL FUND.

I am proud to report that Toronto East District has fully discharged its obligation with respect to the Semi-Centennial Fund. Each lodge has paid its quota, a total of over \$9,200.00 having been contributed from

the district. My thanks are herewith tendered to the W.Ms. of the lodges, who made it possible for this district to clear off this obligation during my term of office.

NEW MASONIC TEMPLES.

"There is no place like home." How aptly that might be applied to our Masonic lodges, and it is particularly applicable to this district, where the lodges are evincing a greater desire to own their own Masonic homes or temples. My first official duty was to assist at the dedication of the new Masonic Temple on College Street, Toronto, on August 30th last, when M.W. Bro. White, the Grand Master, assisted by many Grand Lodge officers and other distinguished brethren, conducted the dedicatory ceremony. This new temple stands as a monument to the indefatigable exertions of the committee, under the able chairmanship of V.W. Bro. Frank Saunders. On June 22nd the M.W. the Grand Master laid the corner stone of the Riverdale Masonic Temple, to be used by Orient and Riverdale Lodges, in the East End. This, it is to be hoped, will be completed by fall. It is pleasing to note that negotiations are well in hand for the erection of a central Masonic Temple.

SUGGESTIONS.

1. I would suggest that examination of M.M. degree take place in open lodge, within a stated period after the third degree has been conferred, and before Grand Lodge certificate is given to member.

2. Election and installation of officers should take place in June, so that the Masonic year of the lodges would conform to that of the Grand Lodge. (At present we have lodges installing in June, December and January.)

3. Demits granted with unpaid dues on face should be reported to all lodges holding concurrent jurisdiction, same as is done for suspension N.P.D. (A brother, to avoid suspension for N.P.D., will ask for a demit, and will exercise the privileges of a member in good standing without getting the publicity his suspension might entail.)

4. Lodges should report to the D.D.G.M. all rejections of applications for membership. This might

prove helpful to city lodges holding concurrent jurisdiction and prevent the admission of unworthy applicants.

5. In our ritualistic work we aim at uniformity. A similar uniformity should govern the records kept by the Secretaries and Treasurers of lodges. In many lodges there is room for improvement, and if Grand Lodge would adopt a model set of books for use by Secretaries and Treasurers, records would be kept more carefully, concisely, and systematically.

OFFICIAL VISITS.

A brief summary of my official visits would include:

Brock Lodge No. 354, Cannington, G. W. Cole, W.M., November 1st, 1911.—Small attendance, on account of a stormy night. No candidate, so I asked the W.M. to open and close the lodge in the three degrees, which was done quite satisfactorily. The books are in charge of an efficient and painstaking Secretary. The lodge has suffered considerably by removal of members to the West, and the field for getting new members is somewhat limited.

Markham Union Lodge No. 87, Markham, George Scott, W.M., November 3rd.—A good attendance greeted my visit, when a first degree was conferred in a very impressive manner by the W.M. The Junior Warden's charge was splendidly rendered. Markham Union is well officered and can give a good report of itself. It is well supported by its Past Masters.

St. John's Lodge No. 75, Toronto, H. G. Langley, W.M., November 6th.—In company with R.W. Bro. R. W. Brennan, I visited St. John's Lodge, when the third degree was put on very excellently, each officer doing his part splendidly. The Master allotted parts to several Past Masters, who had assisted at his initiation in 1900. During the evening Masonic lockets were presented to Bros. Albert Slute and John Thompson, in recognition of many years' active service on the Relief Committee.

Richardson Lodge No. 136, Stouffville, E. S. Barker, W.M., November 30th.—Fair attendance. Exemplified the first degree. The W.M.'s work was very satisfactory, but some of the officers showed lack of familiarity

with the work. More frequent rehearsals would have produced better results. Like many other out-of-town lodges, many of its members live in the city and in the far West, only about fifty per cent. being within a "cabletow's length."

Zeredatha Lodge No. 220, Uxbridge, J. W. Kydd, W.M., December 4th.—A fairly good attendance. Good officers in the W.M. and his Wardens. Secretary's and Treasurer's books very satisfactory. Lodge gets splendid support from its Past Masters, and present prospects seem very good. Conferred the first degree on a splendid candidate. A feature of the work was the Past Master's charge delivered by W. Bro. Barry.

Richmond Lodge No. 23, Richmond Hill, Robert Shaw, W.M., January 29th.—A good attendance, including many visitors from surrounding lodges. Conferred first degree very acceptably, each officer doing his part impressively and deliberately. Past Masters do not seem to lose interest in the lodge, and although some of the officers live in the city, they are usually present at stated meetings. R.W. Bro. Nicholls is an efficient Secretary, and keeps his records in good shape.

St. Andrew's Lodge No. 16, F. G. Anderson, W.M., February 13th.—A very large gathering greeted me at St. Andrew's, my mother lodge. Nine ruling city Masters were present. In conferring the first degree St. Andrew's maintained its proud record for excellent work. From Worshipful Master to Junior Steward, each officer was painstaking and thorough. The Past Masters of St. Andrew's Lodge give loyal support to the Master.

Doric Lodge No. 316, Toronto, W. B. Johnson, W.M., February 15th.—Made my official visit the night following installation. R.W. Bro. H. C. Scully, D.D.G.M., District No. 11, kindly inspected the work. Conferred a third degree most acceptably, it being the first attempt after installation. Better floor work seldom seen in any lodge. ,

Zeta Lodge No. 410, Toronto, Norman Creen, W.M., February 23rd.—Good staff of officers. Conferred third degree. Splendid work. Candidates for advancement are required to pass examination in obligation as well as the questions, a practice that might be followed by

other lodges with good results. A good Secretary, who keeps the dues well in hand. Zeta Lodge is keeping its Masonic principles well to the front, and exercises good care in selection of candidates.

St. George Lodge No. 367, Toronto, I. J. Stickwood, W.M., March 1st.—A large attendance greeted my appearance at St. George. The pleasure of my visit was greatly increased by the presence of M.W. Bro. Goggin, who gave an interesting and instructive address on the symbols of the first degree. Second degree was conferred in a very satisfactory manner.

Georgina Lodge No. 343, Toronto, J. W. Gale, W.M., March 2nd.—A splendid meeting—large attendance and a good representation of Past Masters. First degree was worked in a manner that would commend itself to the most critical. Judging from the candidate of the evening. Georgina exercises care in selection of material. In every respect the officers are painstaking and endeavor to do the work intelligently and impressively. A splendid musical service added to the impressiveness of the work.

Orient Lodge No. 339, Toronto, J. T. Couch, W.M., March 5th.—All officers present. First degree conferred very satisfactorily. In Bro. Scott as Junior Warden the lodge has an officer second to none for the rendering of the J.W.'s charge. Orient's prospects are very bright. In a short time Orient Lodge will be meeting in its new hall, where more comfortable quarters will add to the pleasure of their meetings.

Stevenson Lodge No. 218, Toronto, Wm. D. Sprinks, W.M., March 11th.—All officers, with one exception, present. Third degree was put on in an excellent manner. The work was rendered more impressive by the Stevenson Quartette, whose musical selections were quite appropriate. W. Bro. Woodstock, to whom the lodge is indebted for much untiring labor and zeal, continues to take an active part in the lodge, and his efforts are much appreciated.

Acacia Lodge No. 430, Toronto, Geo. H. Wixon, W.M., March 18th.—All officers present. First degree conferred very intelligently and impressively. Secretary's books in splendid order. Secretary is active in getting after delinquent members, and in future out-

standing dues will be of smaller proportions. My visit falling so close to St. Patrick's Day, we were favored with an interesting address on the life and mission of that patron saint by R.W. Bro. Baynes Reid, P.G.C., who retains a lively interest in the lodge.

Riverdale Lodge No. 494, Riverdale, Toronto, E. B. Mackenzie, W.M., March 22nd.—All officers present, and a large attendance of members and visitors. This lodge has a very promising future, and has fully justified its institution. The work was a second degree, upon an exceptionally good and well-posted candidate. The work was well done. The W.M. and his officers appear to be enthusiastic and perform their respective duties in a way to prove creditable to themselves and to the lodge. Riverdale Lodge will be meeting in its new quarters early this fall.

Tuscan Lodge No. 99, Newmarket, Wm. Hill, W.M., April 10th.—On this visit I was accompanied by several Toronto brethren. It was the first attempt of the present officers to work a degree, and, considering this fact, their work was very satisfactory. The officers, I believe, will give a good account of themselves before the year is over. The Semi-Centennial Fund was given special attention, and the full amount has been paid. For this, the Worshipful Master and Secretary deserve full credit.

The Beaches Lodge No. 473, Toronto, Geo. M. Ritchie, W.M., April 12th.—A very large attendance, including many visiting brethren. The second degree was conferred by the officers, assisted by Past Masters. The work was done very satisfactorily. The Past Masters here give loyal support to the officers. The members are like one big family, and the fraternal spirit of good fellowship predominates very strongly.

Doric Lodge No. 424, Pickering, M. S. Chapman, W.M., April 25th.—In company with Very Worshipful Bro. Hagerman and the District Secretary, I visited this lodge and found a good attendance, including many visitors from Composite Lodge, Whitby. It was a splendid meeting. The first degree was conferred quite well, being the first attempt at working a degree by the present officers. Bro. Lord Somers, of Household Brigade Lodge No. 2614, London, England, who

has become a resident of Pickering, was a visitor at the meeting, and has since affiliated with Doric Lodge.

Sharon Lodge No. 97, Queensville. C. W. Cole, W.M., April 30th.—At this visit I witnessed the opening and regular business of the lodge. First degree was conferred very acceptably, notwithstanding that some of the officers were absent and their positions filled by Past Masters. Sharon Lodge takes its Masonic responsibilities seriously. It is comprised of many enthusiastic Masous.

Rising Sun Lodge No. 129, Aurora, W. H. Birchard, W.M., May 3rd.—My official visit was made on the occasion of a visit from the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Aubrey White. A first degree was conferred in a manner to bring the favorable commendation of the Grand Master. A feature of the evening was the presentation of life membership certificates to fourteen members who had contributed generously towards the Masonic Hall Fund. At the banquet that followed the meeting the Grand Master gave an excellent address on the principles of our fraternity.

Ionic Lodge No. 25, Toronto. Eric N. Armour, W.M., May 7th.—A large attendance of members and visitors. The work of the evening was an initiation, conferred intelligently and very impressively. The W.M. is a painstaking and enthusiastic officer, and under his guidance the lodge is doing good work. The Junior Warden's and Past Master's charges were rendered most pleasingly.

Brougham Union Lodge No. 269, Claremont, W. H. Brown, W.M., May 29th.—A heavy downpour of rain all evening spoiled the attendance, but a goodly number of enthusiastic members were present. No candidate presenting himself. I asked the W.M. to exemplify the first degree, which was done to my satisfaction, considering that some of the regular officers were absent. During the evening the lodge voted to pay off its allotment toward the Semi-Centennial Fund, thus giving the district a clear sheet. For this I shall ever retain very kind feelings toward Brougham Union Lodge.

In conclusion, I wish to acknowledge the splendid

service rendered by W. Bro. J. A. Montgomery, who kindly consented to act as District Secretary. His assistance materially lessened my official burden and helped to make the discharge of duty pleasant and pleasurable. My thanks are also due to M.W. Bro. E. T. Malone, R.W. Bros. E. M. Carleton, R. W. Brennan, T. H. Brunton, H. C. Scully, V.W. Bros. L. F. Riggs, G.D. of C., Frank Saunders, G.S.W., R. F. Segsworth, G.P., A. E. Hagerman and W. Bros. F. G. Anderson and W. J. Farmery, for their kindness in accompanying me on some of the visitations. On the whole, the year has been one of pleasure and benefit to me, and I trust that in some small way my efforts have proved helpful to others.

Fraternally submitted,

W. F. BILGER, D.D.G.M.,
Toronto East District No. 11a.

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.
Table Shewing the Work Done in Toronto East District No. 11a, from June 24th, 1911, to June 24th, 1912.

No. of Lodge	Name of Lodge	Location	Mem- bers'ip		Total No. of all Mem.	Degr. % Conf'd		Affiliations		Restorations	Resignations	Suspensions, N. P. D.	Suspensions, other causes	Meet. % held			Aver. atten'ce of members	Amount paid for relief	No. mem. 12 m'ths in arrears	Total of all arrearages	Date of last G. L. Return	Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W. M. work all degrees	Insurance			
			Increase during year	Decrease during year		E. A.	F. C.	M. M.	Regular					Emergency	Total													
168	St. Andrew's	Toronto	426	27		26	21	5	1	3	1	1	1	10	12	22	54	358	60	14	151	00	Dec.	Good	Excell't	Yes	\$750 00	
23	Richmond	Richmond Hill	52	2		3	3	3	5	1	3	1	1	11	11	17	8	00	4	15	65	June	Good	Good	Yes	2500 00		
25	Lonie	Toronto	293	6		8	6	6	6	4	3	1	1	10	3	13	34	258	61	3	28	00	Jan.	Good	Good	Yes	Trust	
55	St. John's	Toronto	300	5		8	8	6	6	4	4	4	4	11	4	15	70	125	00	3	80	00	Dec.	Good	Good	Yes	Trust	
87	Markham	Markham	95	6		5	6	7	1	1	1	1	1	10	4	13	33	40	00	3	73	00	Jan.	Good	Good	Yes	Trust	
96	Sharon	Queensville	71	4		3	6	7	1	1	1	1	1	4	1	14	17	43	00	31	155	73	July	Good	Good	Yes	250 00	
99	Tuscan	Newmarket												11	3	14	17	43	00	31	155	73	July	Good	Good	Yes	250 00	
129	Rising Sun	Aurora	89	1		4	4	3	1	1	1	1	1	13	2	15	16	310	00	53	00	00	Dec.	Good	Good	No	1700 00	
136	Richardson	Stouffville	59	7		3	3	3	3	1	1	1	1	8	4	12	11	100	00	19	96	25	Dec.	Fair	Fair	Yes	300 00	
218	Stevenson	Toronto	250	7		17	21	1	1	1	1	1	1	13	9	20	60	160	00	16	170	00	July	Good	Good	Yes	Trust	
220	Zeredatha	Exbridge	88	2		6	6	3	3	1	1	1	1	12	12	16	16	16	00	4	30	00	Dec.	Good	Fair	Yes	450 00	
231	Brougham	Claremont	67	3		6	6	3	3	1	1	1	1	11	2	13	14	20	00	4	30	00	Dec.	Good	Good	Yes	750 00	
316	Dorle	Toronto	412	16		24	25	21	1	1	3	3	3	10	9	19	79	25	00	33	626	75	Jan.	Good	Good	Yes	Trust	
339	Orient	Toronto	331	2		15	17	19	9	1	1	1	1	12	11	23	85	150	00	12	100	00	Dec.	Good	Good	Yes	1500 00	
343	Georgina	Toronto	340	14		19	17	20	6	1	1	1	1	9	9	18	65	247	83	43	342	00	Jan.	Good	Good	Yes	None	
354	Brock	Cannington	66	1		3	4	4	4	1	1	1	1	9	1	10	14	20	00	5	30	00	Dec.	Good	Good	Yes	200 00	
367	St. George	Toronto	294	30		33	33	26	5	3	3	3	3	10	13	23	85	210	00	8	61	00	Dec.	Good	Good	Yes	Trust	
410	Zeta	Toronto	304	14		20	18	18	1	1	3	4	4	12	9	10	19	67	275	00	8	45	05	Jan.	Good	Good	Yes	250 00
421	Dorle	Pickering	48	3		1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	11	1	11	11	11	00	1	2	00	Dec.	Fair	Fair	Yes	250 00	
430	Acacia	East Toronto	153	4		7	5	5	3	1	1	1	1	4	6	17	37	96	75	49	361	75	Dec.	Good	Good	Yes	1500 00	
473	The Benches	Toronto	178	13		17	16	13	6	1	1	1	1	2	11	9	20	40	73	50	1	8	00	Dec.	Good	Good	Yes	1000 00
494	Riverdale	Toronto	182	26		25	30	25	6	1	1	1	1	10	13	29	39	23	00	1	8	50	00	Dec.	Good	Excell't	Yes	1000 00

ONTARIO DISTRICT No. 12.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario:

MOST WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BRETHREN :

Another year has run its course, and I now have the honour to submit my report on the condition of Masonry in this district. I have personally visited every lodge in the district and have met the brethren and have tried to carry out the wishes of the Grand Lodge and to further the Masonic ideals of the jurisdiction. Masonry is in a healthy condition generally in the district. The lodges are nearly all making satisfactory progress and are admitting to membership only such men as it is believed will reflect credit on the order. The work is being performed with uniformity, and in every lodge the social as well as the moral and intellectual side is being cultivated. From my observations made as I visited, and from what I learned from meeting brethren, I am satisfied that Masonry is in safe hands in all the lodges, and that the wishes and aims of Grand Lodge are being carried out in the district. I was unable to hold a Lodge of Instruction during the winter, as when I became engaged in the provincial election campaign and later attended the Legislature, I found it impossible, with my own professional duties, to take up this work. Had I seen that I would have been so busy all the year I would not have taken the position so generously tendered to me by the representatives of this district at last Grand Lodge in St. Catharines. I thank the brethren for the honour conferred, and for the opportunity to do something in my district for Masonry, but regret that the brethren have not had the advantage of attending a Lodge of Instruction.

FRATERNAL DEAD.

The following brethren, members of lodges in the district, have during the year been summoned to the Grand Lodge above :

Bro. Wilson Henderson, Lebanon 139, Oshawa ; Bro. W. J. Gray, Faithful Brethren, Lindsay ; Bros. D. H. McKay and J. T. Goyne, W. Bro. W. J. Adair and V.W.

Bro. L. K. Murton, Cedar 270, Oshawa; Bro. John Kelley, Verulam 268, Bobcaygeon; Bro. Jas. Pringle, Composite 30, Whitby; W. Bro. Nie and Bro. J. J. Brandon, Spry 406, Fenelon Falls; R.W. Bro. P. Taylor, Composite 30, Whitby; Bro. A. J. Ford, Arcadia 440, Minden.

CONSTITUTIONS AND CONSECRATIONS.

King George V. Lodge No. 498, Coboconk, November 13th, 1911.

DEDICATIONS.

Victoria Lodge No. 398, Kirkfield, October 31st, 1911.

King George V. Lodge No. 498, Coboconk, November 13th, 1911.

The Spry Lodge No. 406, Fenelon Falls, May 29th, 1912.

VISITS.

King George V. Lodge No. 498, Coboconk.—On August 24th, 1912, I visited this lodge to constitute, consecrate and dedicate, and instal the officers. On my arrival I found the W.M., W. Bro. Chafee, was living in Kingston, and the ceremonies had to be abandoned. The lodge was opened, however, and I had an opportunity of seeing the officers in their chairs. A pleasant social time was spent. This is the newest lodge in this district and is doing good work. Bro. T. C. Birchard is a capable Secretary, and the books are well kept. The lodge has made a good start and is in comfortable quarters. The ceremonies of constituting, consecrating, dedication and installation were performed later on November 13th by R.W. Bro. E. Fitzgerald, of Fenelon Falls.

Victoria Lodge No. 398, Kirkfield.—On August 25th, 1911, I visited this lodge. It was intended that we should dedicate the lodge room, but there was not a sufficient number of Grand Lodge members present. W. Bro. Oliphant and his officers worked a second degree in a very creditable manner. W. Bro. Mosgrove is a source of great strength to this lodge and makes an excellent Secretary. The lodge, while not large, is endeavoring to overcome the difficulties it encounters, and the officers and members deserve great credit for their zeal for Masonry.

North Entrance Lodge No. 463, Haliburton.—On October 30th, 1911, Thanksgiving Day. I visited this, the most northerly lodge in the district. There was no work but the officers opened and closed in the several degrees in a very correct manner. The members are enthusiastic Masons. One brother walked eighteen miles over a rough country. R.W. Bro. Ralph Clark is a source of strength to the order here and is well known in all the northern lodges. The lodge has good quarters. The books are well kept. Everything indicated a healthy state of affairs.

Victoria Lodge No. 398, Kirkfield.—Leaving Haliburton at 6 a.m., October 31st, 1911, I went to Kirkfield where Grand Lodge had been summoned to meet for the dedication of the hall with the assistance of the local Worshipful brethren. This ceremony was performed conformably with Grand Lodge requirements. The Beaverton brethren deserve my best thanks for their assistance.

Murray Lodge No. 408, Beaverton.—On the night of October 31st, 1911, I visited this lodge and was well received. The attendance was not large. W. Bro. Walls and his officers worked a second degree in good style. W. Bro. Byrne, the Secretary keeps his work in good shape. R.W. Bro. Williamson is a great help to this lodge.

King George V Lodge No. 498, Coboconk.—On Nov. 13th, 1911, R.W. Bro. Fitzgerald at my suggestion and at the request of the Grand Master presided at the ceremony of the constituting, consecrating and dedication of this lodge, and the installation of the officers. This is the new lodge of the district and is receiving additions to its membership possibly to the detriment of some of the other lodges in the sparsely settled parts at the north end of the district. The ceremonies were performed with care and were very impressive. Several visiting P.Ms. were present from Midland, Lindsay, Fenelon Falls, Woodville and Hamilton. I am glad to report the ceremonies were much appreciated by the brethren of this lodge and that they are now working with a good deal of enthusiasm.

Mount Zion Lodge No. 39, Brooklin.—On January 2nd, 1912, I visited Brooklin and was met by a goodly

number of members there. W. Bro. Johnson and his officers put on a third degree, which was fairly well worked. The lodge is in a good condition and owns its building. The membership is increasing and being in a good agricultural section, will continue to grow. The Secretary, W. Bro. Dr. John Moore, is a capable and painstaking officer and has his books in good shape. This is one of the old lodges of the district.

King Edward Lodge No. 464, Sunderland.—On January 12th, 1912, I visited this lodge. W. Bro. Oliver and his officers put on a second degree. The work was as good as one could ask to see and reflected great credit on the officers. Thirty members were present with temperature at 25 below zero. The lodge has good rooms. The books are well kept. A P.M.'s Jewel was presented to W. Bro. Shier. The evening was a very pleasant one as the Sunderland brethren seemed to be enthusiastic about the lodge and its work.

Composite Lodge No. 30, Whitby.—On February 1st, 1912, I visited Whitby. W. Bro. J.F. Paxton is Master, and is ably supported by A. E. Christian, as S.W. The lodge room is beautiful, being newly furnished and dedicated only a year ago. The work of the evening was the second degree and was well worked. This is one of the old lodges in the district and Whitby brethren are carrying on their work with true Masonic zeal. A good number of Past Masters maintain an interest in the work. The Secretary, although new at the work, has his books in good shape. The death of R.W. Bro. P. Taylor, affectionately called "Grandpa" by all the brethren, has been a loss to the lodge.

Faithful Brethren Lodge No. 77, Lindsay.—On February 2nd, 1912, I visited this lodge. The large and well equipped rooms indicate the condition of the lodge financially and the attendance of members shows that the lodge is a large and flourishing one. It is by far the largest lodge in the district with over 225 members. W. Bro. Anderson and his officers worked the first degree in a creditable manner although it was his first attempt. A large number of P.Ms. were present. M.W. Bro. Harding is also a member of this lodge. I found every department of this lodge in good condition, indicating that Masonry is well looked after in Lindsay.

Fidelity Lodge No. 428, Port Perry.—On April 26th, 1912, I visited Port Perry. W. Bro. Stone and his officers worked a first degree in an excellent manner. Fidelity, true to its name, is noted for its attention to the work and landmarks of Masonry. The night of my visit was no exception. They have fine rooms and keep everything in good order. W. Bro. Short, the Secretary, has his books in good condition and takes part in the work in the same capable manner. There was a good attendance.

Harding Lodge No. 477, Woodville.—On May 3rd, 1912, I went to Woodville. The candidate who was to have been passed was absent but the brethren exemplified the second degree with a volunteer candidate. The work was fairly well done and the officers showed that they had a good knowledge of their work. R.W. Bro. Grainger and his officers are carrying on the duties of their office in a very capable way. They have W. Bro. Staback, their efficient Secretary, W. Bro. Patterson at all times to coach them. The lodge is in a healthy state in every way.

Cedar Lodge No. 270, Oshawa.—On May 28th, 1912, I visited Cedar Lodge, Oshawa. W. Bro. M.L. Argall and his officers put on two initiations in a very creditable manner. There was a good attendance. Cedar Lodge is in good condition financially. The books are well kept by W. Bro. Drew, Secretary. The P.M.s. maintain an active interest in the welfare of the lodge. The lodge room is used conjointly with Lebanon Lodge No. 139 and is tastily decorated and very commodious and comfortable. The lodge is having a healthy growth and is doing good work.

Spry Lodge No. 406, Fenelon Falls.—On May 29th, 1912, I went to Fenelon Falls. Grand Lodge was summoned for the same place. I dedicated the lodge rooms with the able assistance of R.W. Bro. Fitzgerald and the Past Masters of the Town and surrounding country. W. Bro. D. J. Hartle, Minden, W. Bro. Patterson, Woodville, W. Bro. Wallace, Lindsay, being present. After the dedication I visited the lodge officially. The third degree was worked by W. Bro. Townley and his officers in a very capable manner. The lodge room is well furnished and of good size. The ante rooms are excellent. The whole surroundings give evidence of prosperity.

W. Bro. Burgoyne makes a good Secretary and has his books well kept.

Somerville Lodge No. 451, Kinmount.—On May 30th, 1912, I visited Kinmount where W. Bro. Dawkins and his officers exemplified the third degree in a very satisfactory manner. This lodge is at present not enjoying great prosperity. The village is not going ahead and the new candidates are not plentiful. The lodge is hopeful however and the members are holding on, looking for better days in the way of additions and better financial conditions. The members received me very cordially. W. Bro. Wellstood, the Secretary, is doing his work well.

Arcadia Lodge No. 440, Minden.—On May 31st, 1912, I drove to Minden, and visited the lodge. Two candidates were passed. W. Bro. Welch conferred the degree on his son. W. Bro. Hartle, a young man of 24 years did the other. The work was well done. The brethren here are very enthusiastic and look well to their lodge. The room is small but well arranged. Everything indicates prosperity and a desire to further the interest of the order. W. Bro. Whyte, the Secretary, and W. Bro. Young, the Treasurer, have their books in good shape and a large surplus in the bank. This completed a four day period of visits and on June 1st I returned home, pleased with the condition of Masonry in the northern part of my district and bearing kind memories of the hospitality shown me, as representative of the Grand Master.

Lebanon Lodge No. 139, Oshawa.—On June 11th, 1912, I visited my own mother lodge. I was cordially received by a large number of members. W. Bro. Meritt, the W.M., presided and worked two third degrees with the assistance of some P.Ms., of whom there are several always ready and willing to relieve the Master. The work was very well done. Lebanon Lodge, the second largest in the district, is in good condition and prospects are very good. The election of officers took place on the night of my visit. A term of one year has now been adopted for the W.M.

Verulam Lodge No. 268, Bobcaygeon.—On June 28th, 1912, I visited this lodge, the last in the district—I was greeted with a good attendance and the W.M., W. Bro.

Hurchmer, put on a third degree in a very capable manner, assisted by good subordinate officers. The work was very satisfactory and the zeal of the members for Masonry was manifest in view of the good attendance in the lodge room on a hot night. The lodge room should have been dedicated. As it is to be taken over by the bank, and a new room will have to be furnished I did not do so. The rooms are quite comfortable and convenient and it is a pity they have to be abandoned.

The report of the individual lodges and the work done during the year is herewith submitted.

Fraternally submitted,

W. E. N. SINCLAIR, D.D.G.M.,

Ontario District No. 12.

GRAND LODGE OF CANADA

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.
Table Shewing the Work Done in Ontario District No. 12, from June 24th, 1911, to June 24th, 1912.

No. of Lodge	Name of Lodge	Location	Total No. of all Mem.		Degree's Conf'd		Affiliations	Restorations	Resignations	Suspensions, N.P.D.	Suspensions, other causes	Deceased	Meet's held			Aver. atten'ce of members	Amount paid for relief	No. mem. 12 m'ths in arrears	Total of all arrearages	Date of last G. L. Return	Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W. M. work all degrees	Insurance
			Increase during year	Decrease during year	E. A.	F. C.							M. M.	Regular	Emergency										Total
39	Composite	Whitby	77	3	12	12	1	..	..	..	..	1	10	2	12	60	12	..	March, 1912	Excel't	Good	Yes	1500 00
39	Mount Zion	Brooklin	57	4	12	12	1	..	..	..	..	1	10	1	11	40	25	191	April, 1912	Good	Good	Yes	1200 00
77	Faith, Bredb.	Lindsay	228	19	18	13	10	1	1	1	1	1	12	2	14	20	190	26	101	Jan., 1912	Good	Good	Yes	800 00
139	Lebanon	Oshawa	132	18	8	10	8	4	3	..	..	1	11	5	16	15	15	160	Dec., 1911	Good	Good	Yes	400 00
268	Verulam	Bobaygeon	166	..	12	1	1	..	..	..	..	1	11	1	11	5	13	40	March, 1912	Good	Fair	Yes	400 00
270	Cedar	Oshawa	119	6	11	9	7	1	..	1	..	1	10	5	15	100	23	306	Jan., 1912	Good	Good	Yes	1700 00	
398	Victoria	Kirkfield	37	..	4	5	5	1	2	..	..	2	8	3	11	..	..	..	Dec., 1911	Fair	Fair	Yes	600 00
406	Spry	Fenelon Falls	78	5	5	5	1	1	..	3	1	1	10	4	14	..	17	..	Jan., 1912	Good	Good	Yes	600 00	
408	Murray	Beaverton	53	..	12	1	1	1	..	..	..	1	10	10	9	..	16	97	..	Good	Fair	Yes	700 00
428	Fidelity	Port Perry	121	4	5	3	3	1	..	2	..	1	11	1	12	70	4	40	Dec., 1911	Good	Good	Yes	300 00	
440	Arcadia	Minden	62	5	6	5	3	1	1	10	1	11	15	15	..	88	Dec., 1911	Good	Good	Yes	700 00
451	Somerville	Kilmount	52	..	4	1	1	..	4	..	..	..	5	1	5	12	16	50	Dec., 1911	v'y poor	not g'd	Yes	175 00
463	N. Entrance	Haliburton	40	..	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	9	1	10	10	6	23	Dec., 1911	Good	Fair	Yes	750 00
464	King Edward	Sunderland	62	..	4	..	..	..	10	..	..	2	12	3	15	15	..	75	Dec., 1911	Fair	Fair	Yes	200 00
477	Harding	Woodville	52	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	9	1	10	11	4	53	Dec., 1911	Good	Fair	Yes	200 00
498	King Geo. V.	Coboconk	31	3	1	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	14	9	23	13	1	3	Dec., 1911	Good	Good	Yes	200 00

PRINCE EDWARD DISTRICT No. 13

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario:

MOST WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BRETHREN:

It affords me much pleasure to submit for your consideration my report on the condition and progress of Masonry for the past year in Prince Edward District No. 13.

Before doing so I wish to express to the brethren my sincere thanks for the honour they have conferred upon me by unanimously electing me to the high and honorable position of their District Deputy Grand Master. I consider it the highest honour they could confer upon me, and if my work this year has met with their approval I am amply repaid for same.

Without going into detail I shall endeavor to present the affairs of the district in as short, concise and general a way as possible, omitting matters which are only of local interest, and not of importance to the Craft in general. I do not wish however for the sake of brevity to appear unmindful of, or ungrateful for the many kindnesses shown me by my Masonic brethren in every part of the district. Everywhere I have gone I have been most kindly received and royally entertained, for which I again wish to express my thanks and appreciation. While I shall neglect to mention the entertainments and banquets, which have been so pleasant to me, I do not wish it to be thought that I under-estimate the importance of these to Masonry for I feel more than ever that we should on all occasions cultivate the social side of our Order.

I have been accompanied on my official visits by a noble band of brethren to whom I am deeply indebted, and I am especially grateful to those Past District Deputy Grand Masters of Belleville who have so kindly given me their assistance and advice during the year.

I wish also to thank Bros. E. T. Cherry, J. A. Kerr, B. L. Hyman, L. B. Cooper and Chas. Greenleaf who placed their autos at my disposal, thus assisting me in making my trips.

My first official act was to issue a circular to each lodge informing them of my election, and also that I had secured the services of W. Bro. A. R. Walker, of Eureka Lodge No. 283 for my District Secretary, and W. Bro. Rev. R. C. Blgrave of Moira Lodge No. 11. as my District Chaplain, each of whom has performed the duties of his office in a most efficient manner. I feel that their services have been of great assistance to me, as well as a benefit to the district.

I visited each of the twenty lodges of the district at least once, some oftener, and on each occasion the heartiest welcome awaited me from the officers and brethren. All the lodges are in prosperous condition and are experiencing so much work that they have had to forego papers and talks on Masonic subjects, which had been of so much benefit to the members. The material being taken in is of the best, being the pick of each community. Harmony prevails throughout the district, but I regret to find that the promiscuous use of the black ball has crept into some lodges, one in particular, where some of the members are not practicing the beautiful teachings of our Order, and seem to fail to realize that this privilege is given to thinking men, who should place the good of the Craft before personal matters.

In nearly all cases I have found the books of the Secretaries all that could be desired, and the lodges are to be congratulated for the excellent work these brethren are doing. I regret however to find some of the lodges do not seem to appreciate the services rendered by their Secretaries as the remuneration paid is a mere trifle. A good Secretary is the most valuable officer a lodge can have.

It has been a pleasure, as well as an instructive lesson to me to see the manner in which the several degrees have been conferred for my inspection. In nearly every case there has been very little room for criticism, as the work has been almost perfect. Wherever I have had to make suggestions I found the brethren anxious to receive and carry out the same. In nearly every lodge I have had to instruct the officers on the penalties, which I am glad to say are now in accordance with the instruction of Grand Lodge. The dues seem to be well in hand and finances in good condition.

FRATERNAL DEAD

It is with deep sorrow and regret that I have to record the fact that the death roll for the past year in our district has removed from amongst us many true Masons, who were not only a credit to our Order, but of great benefit to the communities in which they lived. In this list are to be found the names of three Past Grand Lodge Officers in the persons of R.W. Bros. Dr. T. H. Thornton of Consecon Lodge No. 50 and Dr. J. W. Wright of Prince Edward Lodge No. 18, both Past District Deputy Grand Masters, and V.W. Bro. John Parker Thomas, K.C. of the Belleville Lodge No. 123, Past Grand Pursuivant of Grand Lodge

While R.W. Bro. Dr. Thornton and V.W. Bro. Thomas, owing to ill health and declining years, have not been able to take an active part in Masonic work for the last few years, yet the records they have left behind will live as incentives to the brethren who had the pleasure of Masonic associations with them, and whose examples we can all follow.

In the death of R.W. Bro. Dr. Wright not only Prince Edward Lodge, but the whole district and our Grand Lodge has suffered a severe loss. His Masonic influence was felt wherever he went. He was a zealous Masonic student, who gave to his brethren the benefits of his researches, and was looked upon as a leader among Masons.

The list also includes the names of brethren who although not so prominent, yet in every day life have practised our Masonic teachings so as to help those around them.

The deceased brethren who have been reported to me by the Secretaries of the lodges are as follows:—July 10, 1911, Bro. A. B. Loomis, United Lodge No. 29; Aug. 25, 1911, Bro. T. S. Stinson, Star in the East Lodge No. 164; Oct. 5, 1911, Bro. Chas. Green, Eureka Lodge No. 283; Oct. 5, 1911, Bro. Dennis Pettit, Colborne Lodge No. 91; Nov. 5, 1911, W. Bro. R. H. Bonnycastle, Golden Rule Lodge No. 126; Nov. 14, 1911, Bro. L. A. Purdy, United Lodge No. 29; Nov. 24, 1911, R.W. Bro. Dr. T. H. Thornton, Consecon Lodge No. 50; Dec. 8, 1911, Bro. S. F. Armistead, The Belleville Lodge No. 123; Dec. 22, 1911, Bro. James Forge, Trent Lodge No. 38; Jan. 6, 1912, Bro. Anson B. Ross, Madoc Lodge

No. 48; Jan. 16, 1912, Chas. F. Chase, Franck Lodge No. 127; Feb. 26, 1912, Frederick Baker, Madoc Lodge No. 48; Feb. 29, 1912, R.W. Bro. Dr. J. W. Wright, Prince Edward Lodge No. 18; March 1, 1912, Bro. J. N. Clarke, Madoc Lodge No. 48; March 2, 1912, Bro. H. N. Babbitt, Prince Edward Lodge No. 18; April 19, Bro. Wm. C. Gorslin, Prince Edward Lodge No. 18; May 5, 1912, V.W. Bro. J. P. Thomas, The Belleville Lodge No. 123.

To the widows and orphans we extend our sincere and heartfelt sympathy.

SEMI-CENTENNIAL FUND

Because of the good work of my predecessors on behalf of this Fund, nearly all the lodges in the district had completed this fund before I assumed office, so that my task in this matter was very light. I am pleased however to report that those lodges, which were still owing amounts to this fund, have paid up the balances due by them, and our district is now clear. The W.Ms. and other brethren of these lodges have worked faithfully to raise the amounts due, and I extend to them my thanks and congratulations for completing their work.

RULINGS

I have been called upon to give a large number of Rulings on matters coming before the lodges, and I am pleased to say that these have been most kindly received and acted upon by the brethren and lodges concerned.

CORRESPONDENCE

The correspondence for the past year has been enormous, but I have endeavored to set the example of answering same without delay.

LODGE OF INSTRUCTION

In accordance with the request of Grand Lodge, and by the consent of the officers and brethren of Moira Lodge No. II, The Belleville Lodge No. 123 and Eureka Lodge No. 283 of the city of Belleville, I called a Lodge of Instruction for the district at Belleville on Tuesday, March 12th, at which sixteen lodges out of the twenty in the district were represented. Between three and four hundred brethren being present. M.W. Bro.

Aubrey White, the Grand Master was present at the afternoon and evening sessions.

At the afternoon session the officers of Golden Rule Lodge No. 126, Campbellford opened and conferred the first degree. Owing to the inability of Colborne Lodge No. 91 to be present the officers of Moira Lodge No. 11, Belleville, assisted by W. Bro. W. O. Adams, W.M. of The Belleville Lodge No. 123, and W. Bro. C. J. Symons of Eureka Lodge No. 283 opened and conferred the second degree. At the evening session the officers of Craig Lodge No. 401, Deseronto, opened and conferred the third degree. The officers of Stirling Lodge No. 69, Stirling, closed the lodge in all the degrees.

Many questions were asked and answered, and I consider much instruction and valuable information was received by the brethren. The work was excellently done, and the brethren were highly complimented by the Grand Master.

At the evening session M.W. Bro. Aubrey White officially visited the lodges, being welcomed by R.W. Bro. Col. S. S. Lazier in his most pleasing manner. The two addresses delivered by the Grand Master were full of thought and instruction, and highly appreciated by the brethren and will be of lasting benefit to Masonry in this district.

CORNER STONE

The Board of Management of St. Mary Magdalene Episcopal Church at Picton, through Prince Edward Lodge No. 18, requested M.W. Bro. Aubrey White, G.M. to lay the Corner Stone of their new church. So on May 10th, 1912, the Grand Master, assisted by R.W. Bro. R. L. Gumm, the Grand Secretary, V.W. Bro. L. F. Riggs, the Grand Director of Ceremonies, R.W. Bro. H. C. Scully, D.D.G.M. of Toronto, myself and a large number of members of the Craft, performed this beautiful ceremony in the presence of a large number of the citizens, who came to witness the same. The eloquent and instructive addresses delivered by the Grand Master were greatly appreciated by all and will be long remembered by not only the members of the Craft but by the citizens who were present.

DISTRICT EXPENSES

In accordance with the resolution of the last dis-

district meeting held at St. Catherines. I appointed the committee to look into the matter of the district expenses. They met and their recommendations have been before each lodge in the district. I am pleased to state that their report recommending that a per capita tax of $12\frac{1}{2}$ cents per member be levied on each lodge to cover all the expenses of the district, including the Lodge of Instruction, has been adopted by all lodges but one. I congratulate the lodges on placing the financial matters of the district on an equitable and sound basis.

OFFICIAL VISITS

Franck Lodge No. 127, Frankford.—On October the 2nd, 1911, Franck Lodge celebrated its Semi-Centennial, and at the request of the W.M., W. Bro. Howell, I paid my official visit on this date. The evening was spent in a social manner. W. Bro. Howell gave a sketch of the interesting points which he had gleaned from the minutes of the lodge. He also read an excellent biography on R.W. Bro. J. C. Franck for whom the lodge was named, which had been prepared by R.W. Bro. Arthur McGinnis of Belleville. Interesting and instructive addresses were given by R.W. Bros. Henry Pringle, F. E. O'Flynn, Col. W. N. Ponton, Dr. H. H. Post and other visiting brethren. The address given by R.W. Bro. Pringle on the "Antiquity of Masonry" being worthy of special mention.

As I saw no work done on this occasion I again visited this lodge on May 27th, 1912, when W. Bro. J. H. Sills and the officers of the lodge assisted by W. Bro. Howell conferred the first degree in a highly creditable manner. I was asked a great many questions on the work, and I trust the answers given will be of benefit to the brethren.

Percy Lodge No. 161, Warkworth.—I visited this lodge on November 1st, 1911, and was royally received by W. Bro. Stone and the officers and members of the lodge. The first degree was conferred in a highly creditable manner by the officers assisted by W. Bros. Glover, Buchanan and the district Secretary. W. Bro. Humphries, who was the first Master of the lodge delivered the charge in a most impressive manner. He is one of the mainstays of the lodge, which is now in a flourishing condition, and I predict still better times for it under the guidance of W. Bro. Stone and its able Secretary, Bro. Ewing.

Tweed Lodge No. 239, Tweed.—On Nov. 3rd, 1911, I journeyed to Tweed and was met by W. Bro. Garrett, the enthusiastic Secretary of the lodge. At the meeting a large number of brethren were present to welcome me. No candidate being present I requested W. Bro. Porritt the W.M. to exemplify the first degree on some brother, which he and his officers did to my satisfaction. This lodge continues to maintain its high standard.

Lake Lodge No. 215, Ameliasburgh.—Journeyed to this lodge on November 6th, 1911. When I arrived I found there were not enough brethren present to open lodge owing to the driving rain and pitch darkness. After some time enough arrived, when the lodge was opened, and R.W. Bro. O'Flynn and myself gave some advice on matters concerning the welfare of the lodge. I am pleased to learn that our visit has borne fruit.

I again visited this lodge on May 20th, 1912, when I saw W. Bro. Dr. Fox and his officers exemplify the third degree. I believe with the material coming on that the future of this lodge is bright. The Junior Warden seems to be a zealous, painstaking officer. At present there is a carelessness in giving the work, which can be easily overcome if closer attention is given in conferring it.

Stirling Lodge No. 69, Stirling.—It was with much pleasure I visited this lodge on November 9th, 1911, to be received by my playmate of boyhood days, W. Bro. Dr. Jas. McC. Potts. Between seventy-five and one hundred brethren were present and my reception was most cordial. No candidate being present owing to an epidemic of blackballing having struck this lodge. I requested an exemplification of the first degree, which W. Bro. Dr. Potts and his officers conferred in an able and impressive manner. R.W. Bro. John Shaw, P.D. D.G.M., on behalf of the lodge presented Past Masters' jewels to W. Bros. Dr. Walt and W. H. Reid, two worthy P.Ms. of the lodge. The lodge under the guidance of W. Bro. Dr. Potts is making good progress, and is to be congratulated on its home, which has just been newly decorated and furnished. I expressed my regrets at finding the use of the black ball so prevalent among the members, the only reason being, as far as I could learn, personal matters, which in many instances I believe could be settled amicably.

Marmora Lodge No. 222, Marmora.—On December 4th, 1911, I visited this lodge and witnessed the raising of two candidates by W. Bro. Bell and his officers in a manner which would satisfy the most critical. The officers for the ensuing year were elected, and judging from the harmony that prevailed I am confident that the year will be a most successful one. On behalf of the lodge I had the pleasure of presenting W. Bro. H. Connor with a Past Master's apron.

Craig Lodge No. 401, Deseronto.—I visited this lodge on December 5th, 1911, and found a large gathering of the brethren of this district, as well as R.W. Bro. Nesbitt, D.D.G.M. of Frontenac District No. 14, accompanied by other brethren of his district present to welcome me. The work consisted of two initiations, which were conferred by W. Bro. Geddes and his officers in a most impressive manner. The work of Craig Lodge has always been of the highest order, and this standard is being maintained. The officers for the year were elected. Bro. Vallean, the new Secretary, is taking hold of his work zealously.

Moir Lodge No. 11, The Belleville Lodge No. 123 and Eureka Lodge No. 283, Belleville.—St. John's Day, December 27th, is observed by the three lodges in Belleville meeting together for the joint installation of their officers. At the request of the brethren of my home city I consented to instal the officers of these lodges, and informed them that I would also make this the occasion of my official visit to them. I was most enthusiastically received by between 250 and 300 brethren who were present. In the Installation Ceremony I was ably assisted by R.W. Bros. Col. S. S. Lazier, Wm. Webster, Henry Pringle, my District Secretary, W. Bro. Walker, and my District Chaplain, W. Bro. Blgrave.

I have since visited these lodges many times and witnessed the work of the several degrees conferred by the present officers, in a manner not only letter perfect, but also impressive and instructive. The three lodges are most prosperous. They have been receiving so many applications that they have amended their by-laws by making the initiation fee fifty dollars.

St. John's Lodge No. 17, Cobourg.—On January 2nd, 1912, I paid my official visit to this lodge, when

I witnessed the conferring of the first degree by W. Bro. A. B. Roberts and his able staff of officers in a most acceptable manner. The Cobourg brethren have regained their old time enthusiasm, and I was much pleased to find such a great change since my last visit to this lodge. A pleasing feature of the evening was the fraternal visit paid by fifteen brethren of Port Hope, which is in the Otonabee District.

Prince Edward Lodge No. 18, Picton.—January 4th, 1912 found me among 150 of the brethren of this lodge, who received me royally. W. Bro. Leavitt and his officers conferred the first and second degrees for the first time in such a manner as to make me feel confident that the year will be a success. I had the pleasure of meeting R.W. Bro. Dr. Wright, that Prince among Masons, who was so shortly afterwards summoned by The Great Architect of The Universe to the Grand Lodge above.

Golden Rule Lodge No. 126, Campbellford.—On January 30th, 1912, I journeyed to Campbellford to visit my Masonic brethren, by whom I was warmly welcomed. W. Bro. Dr. R. H. Bonnycastle and his officers assisted by W. Bros. Dr. Watson, Bonnycastle and Caskey conferred the first degree in an impressive manner. Things Masonically in Campbellford are just what one would expect to find among such enthusiastic brethren.

United Lodge No. 29, Brighton.—Accompanied by eight of my Belleville brethren I visited this lodge on February 27th, 1912. We were received in the kindest manner and spent a pleasant and instructive evening with our Brighton brethren. Two candidates were initiated by W. Bro. Bedal and his officers, who seemed to vie with each other to make the work not only perfect but impressive. The evening was all too short.

Colborne Lodge No. 91, Colborne.—I officially visited this lodge on March 1st, 1912, when I was received by W. Bro. Coxall, who with his officers conferred the first degree in a manner which was all that could be desired. This was my first visit to Colborne since their lodge room was destroyed by fire. The Colborne brethren deserve great praise and congratulations on the handsome and complete home they now occupy.

Madoc Lodge No. 48, Madoc.—The Madoc brethren have always been noted for the welcome they extend to the District Deputy Grand Master, and the one I received on March 26th, 1912 fully sustained their past reputation. W. Bro. Dr. G. F. Wright and his officers conferred the first degree in such a way that all present could not help but be instructed by it.

Consecon Lodge No. 50, Consecon.—Officially visited my Consecon brethren on April 26th, 1912. Owing to the absence of W. Bro. D. W. Robinson I was received by W. Bro. Dr. Thornton, I. P. M., who conferred the third degree in his usual impressive manner. I regretted exceedingly that so many of the regular officers of the lodge were absent. I had the pleasure however of seeing their places ably filled by my old friends, the Past Masters of the lodge. The Senior and Junior Wardens are both efficient officers.

Trent Lodge No 38, Trenton.—On April 30th, 1912, I visited this lodge and witnessed the conferring of the second degree by Bro. S. Pem Peek and his officers. This being their second year in office one was not surprised to see the work so well done. Like the other lodges in the district it is advancing by leaps and bounds

Bancroft Lodge No. 482, Bancroft.—The evening of May 24th, 1912 found me in Bancroft with the brethren, who were present in large numbers to welcome me, some of them driving nineteen miles. W. Bro. John Wood and his officers conferred the first degree in a highly satisfactory manner. The members are most enthusiastic, and although they were unfortunate in losing their lodge room during their first year, yet now they are in first class financial condition. They have purchased a lot and are now arranging to build their new lodge room immediately.

Star in the East Lodge No. 164, Wellington.—My last official visit was made to this lodge on May 28th, 1912, and although the weather was stormy and the roads bad there was a large turnout of the brethren to welcome me. W. Bro. Dr. J. S. Shurie and his officers conferred the first degree in a way which delighted not only myself but the other visiting brethren.

In conclusion I desire to express my sincerest thanks to M.W. Bro. Aubrey White and R.W. Bro. R. L. Gunn for the kindly advice and assistance so freely given to me whenever I had occasion to ask same. I sincerely trust both may be long spared to continue in the grand work they they are doing for Masonry.

And now my brethren, I have endeavored to fill the responsible position of representative of the M.W., the Grand Master in this district to the best of my ability. It has been my ambition to inculcate during my term of office the higher ideals of Masonry, the development of which I have witnessed with much pleasure among our members. I have endeavored to rule the district by love. I do not see how any one who has ever filled the position of District Deputy Grand Master could ever forget his term of service or lose his interest in our Craft. While my term of office has been a busy one, it has also been a most enjoyable one, during which I have seen our teachings practiced in every day life as never before. In bidding my brethren officially farewell I wish to state that if they have received half the pleasure and profit from their intercourse with me that I have from my relations with them, I have my reward.

Fraternally submitted,

F. DAVEY DIAMOND, D.D.G.M.,

Prince Edward District No. 13

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.
Table Shewing the Work Done in Prince Edward District No. 13, from June 24th, 1911, to June 24th, 1912.

No. of Lodge	Name of Lodge	Location	Members		Total No. of all Mem.		Increase during year		Decrease during year		Degr's Conf'd		Affiliations		Restorations	Resignations	Suspensions, N.P.D.	Suspensions, other causes	Meet's held		Aver. attend'ce of members		Amount paid for relief		No. mem. 12 m'ths in arre'rs	Total of all arrearages		Date of last G. L. Return	Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W. M. work all degrees	Insurance
			Total	Deceased	Regular	Emergent	Total	E. A.	F. C.	M. M.	Restorations	Resignations	Suspensions, N.P.D.	Suspensions, other causes	Deceased	Regular	Emergent	Total	Aver. attend'ce of members	Amount paid for relief	No. mem. 12 m'ths in arre'rs	Total of all arrearages	Date of last G. L. Return	Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W. M. work all degrees	Insurance					
11	Molra	Belleville	289	24	27	31	29	1	5	3	4	..	1	11	8	19	40	219	00	52	156	00	Dec.	27, '11	Good	Bright	Yes	14000 Jt.				
17	St. John's	Cobourg	133	12	17	5	4	1	1	1	..	..	5	13	2	15	25	...	10	100	00	Dec.	27, '11	Good	Good	Yes	1000 00			
18	Pr. Edward	Pictou	239	5	9	6	6	1	1	1	4	13	6	19	50	60	00	5	110	15	Jan.	4, '12	Good	Fair	Yes	4200 00				
29	United	Brighton	117	..	9	6	4	..	..	..	..	..	3	11	4	15	32	100	00	60	00	Dec.	27, '11	Excellent	Excellent	Yes	700 00			
38	Trent	Trenton	129	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	5	9	4	13	26	40	00	47	22	00	Dec.	27, '11	Good	Good	Yes	800 00				
48	Madoc	Madoc	122	..	6	6	6	..	..	..	..	..	3	12	3	15	20	20	00	6	...	Dec.	27, '11	Good	Bright	Yes	1000 00			
50	Consecon	Consecon	56	6	6	6	6	..	1	..	..	..	1	12	3	15	15	...	5	14	00	Dec.	27, '11	Good	Good	Yes	300 00			
69	Stirling	Stirling	89	1	10	10	11	..	1	4	..	..	3	13	4	17	31	...	30	130	00	Dec.	27, '11	Good	Excellent	Yes	1500 00			
91	Colborne	Colborne	100	1	3	5	1	..	1	1	10	4	14	18	10	00	6	18	00	Feb.	12, '12	Good	Bright	Yes	1500 00				
123	Belleville	Belleville	237	11	15	13	16	12	1	12	1	12	5	17	45	100	00	39	168	00	Dec.	27, '11	Good	Bright	Yes	14000 Jt.				
126	Golden Rule	Campbellford	87	5	6	6	5	1	1	1	1	11	4	15	31	20	00	8	32	00	Dec.	27, '11	Good	Good	Yes	350 00				
161	Percy	Warkworth	104	4	7	4	3	1	..	..	..	..	1	13	2	15	30	...	2	25	00	Jan.	27, '12	Good	Good	Yes	500 00			
164	Star in East	Wellington	135	7	7	7	6	7	4	1	..	..	2	13	5	18	35	...	10	81	00	Dec.	27, '11	Good	Good	Yes	500 00			
215	Lake	Ameliasburg	73	4	4	5	4	1	1	..	..	..	1	12	1	13	27	...	11	81	75	Dec.	27, '11	Fair	Fair	Yes	2000 00			
222	Marmora	Marmora	83	4	5	5	4	1	10	1	11	15	125	00	20	110	00	Dec.	27, '11	Good	Good	Yes	1000 00				
239	Tweed	Tweed	123	12	10	4	2	3	1	15	1	13	7	20	19	5	00	4	12	00	Dec.	27, '11	Good	Good	Yes	400 00				
283	Eureka	Belleville	121	16	17	11	12	6	1	10	5	15	30	40	00	21	119	90	Dec.	27, '11	Good	Good	Yes	14000 Jt.				
401	Craig	Deseronto	98	..	4	4	6	..	..	..	..	..	1	11	1	11	27	...	22	188	75	Dec.	27, '11	Good	Good	Yes	800 00			
482	Bancroft	Bancroft	74	6	7	4	6	..	..	..	3	..	1	12	2	14	22	...	17	152	75	Jan.	15, '12	Good	Good	Yes	150 00			

FRONTENAC DISTRICT No. 14

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario:

MOST WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BRETHREN:

I have the honour to submit my report on the condition of Freemasonry in Frontenac District No. 14, for the year 1911—12. I desire to express the most sincere appreciation of the honour conferred upon me in electing me to the important office of District Deputy Grand Master.

While esteeming very highly the distinguished honour I trust I have not been insensible to the duties and responsibilities of the office and have endeavored to perform the duties pertaining thereto to the best of my ability.

Shortly after assuming office I appointed W. Bro. W. J. Shannon, District Secretary, and W. Bro. Rev. T. W. Jones, District Chaplain, and wish to express to these brethren my deep appreciation of their valuable advice and assistance during my term of office.

It is with pleasure I report that the last quota of the Semi-Centennial Benevolent Fund has been paid in and the district is clear. The very excellent work done by my predecessors has rendered my work in this department very easy.

Harmony prevails throughout the district and the brethren are earnest and enthusiastic. Each lodge is holding regular monthly meetings, which are on the whole well attended. The officers are enthusiastic Craftsmen, well skilled and tactful, having for the most part the necessary vision as to the importance and possibilities of Freemasonry. The books of each lodge appear to be well kept and an effort made to keep the arrears of dues at the minimum. Each lodge except one is carrying insurance on its building and furniture. The financial condition is generally very satisfactory, many lodges owning the halls in which they meet.

FRATERNAL DEAD

Bro. James Davis, M.M., Ancient St. John's Lodge Kingston; Bro. Benjamin Brisco, M.M., Union Lodge

No. 9, Napanee; W. Bro. E. T. Boyden, P.M., Bro. S. Clixby, M.M., Bro. A. P. McLeod, M.M., Bro. Jas. Hiscock, M.M., Bro. Thos. Andrew, M.M., Cataraqui Lodge No. 92, Kingston; Bro. George Lake, M.M., Albion Lodge No. 109, Harrowsmith; Bro. Edward Dornan, M.M., Bro. David Wilson, M.M., Bro. J. B. Robinson, M.M., Bro. John McNinch, M.M., Leeds Lodge No. 201, Gananoque; Bro. Wm. Craig, M.M., R.W. Bro. John Newton, P.D.D.G.M., Minden Lodge No. 253, Kingston; Bro. Smith Gilmour, P.M., Bro. George E. Thornton, M.M., Lorne Lodge No. 404, Tamworth; W. Bro. J. M. Brown, P.M., St. Andrew's Lodge No. 497, Arden.

OFFICIAL VISITS

On Sept. 5th, 1911, I visited St. Andrew's Lodge No. 497, Arden. This lodge is situated in a sparsely settled part of our Province and its membership will never be very large but the W.M., Bro. Brown opened and closed the lodge through the several degrees in a very creditable manner. A large number of visiting brethren were present and a very profitable and pleasant evening was spent.

I visited this lodge again on Sept. 26th, 1911 accompanied by W. Bros. Shannon, Thompson and Wood who at a considerable sacrifice drove forty miles through the rain to assist me, owing to the request of the M.W., the Grand Master, in consecrating and dedicating the lodge and installing the officers. W. Bros. Wilson, Aylesworth and Jones of Tamworth also gave very valuable assistance—all of which was most satisfactorily performed.

Maple Leaf Lodge No. 119, Bath.—By the request of the M.W., the Grand Master, I dedicated this lodge on October 6th, 1911, assisted by R.W. Bros. Minnes, Jackson, Longmore, V.W. Bro. Smeaton and W. Masters and members hailing from Kingston, Odessa, Napanee, Newburgh, etc.

The brethren of this lodge deserve much commendation. They have a very nice new hall, modern in its arrangements and equipment. They do their work well and are a fine type of Masonic manhood.

I officially visited and dedicated Prince Arthur Lodge No. 228, Odessa on November 6th, 1911, having about the same assistance as mentioned above at Maple Leaf, Bath. The lodge room here too is very creditable,

tasty in arrangement and attractive in finish. The brethren although laboring under difficulties for some time, are successfully overcoming them, which after all is the meaning of Life.

LODGE OF INSTRUCTION

On November 22nd, 1911, a Lodge of Instruction was held under the auspices of Union Lodge No. 9, Napanee. The presence of the Grand Master added interest and dignity to the occasion. He is greatly in favor of each district holding a Lodge of Instruction. He possesses in no small degree the faculty of imparting enthusiasm and of getting from the brethren their best in thought and action. His visit to Kingston on May 31st, where he met the three lodges had a fine effect both on the minds and hearts of the brethren. There was a large representation from nearly every part of the district, the work of the three degrees was well exemplified and much enthusiasm manifested. In the evening, after the work in the lodge room, Union Lodge No. 9 tendered a banquet to the M.W., the Grand Master at which eloquent addresses were given by R.W. Bros. F.E. O'Flynn and W. N. Ponton, both of Belleville. I desire to express my appreciation of the efforts made by the W.M. officers and members of Union Lodge in making the Lodge of Instruction a success and most particularly to W. Bro. W. J. Shannon, District Secretary.

On December 27th 1911, it was my very great pleasure to install the officers of The Ancient St. John's, Cataraqui, and Minden Lodges of Kingston at a joint meeting called for that purpose. The P.D.D.G.Ms. rendered able assistance.

On January 4th, 1912, I visited Victoria Lodge No. 299, Centreville, and found the regular officers in their respective chairs with the exception of the Secretary, V.W. Bro. Lt. Col. Cox who was absent on account of illness. The W.M., Bro. E. W. Lochhead conferred the first degree in an admirable manner. The lodge is taking in some very fine material and is in a very flourishing condition.

On February 2nd, 1912, I visited Lorne Lodge No. 404, Tamworth and found the chair ably filled by the W.M., Rev. Bro. Jones. He conferred the first

degree in a very pleasing and impressive manner. Lorne has many tried and reliable brethren who have been weighed and not found wanting. We might mention W. Bro. Jas. Aylesworth, who has long and worthily served the Craft, Bro. Dr. Wilson and others.

On March 1st, 1912, I visited Albion Lodge No. 109, Harrowsmith. There were two meetings—a special in the afternoon and the regular in the evening. The degrees were conferred in a very able manner by the W.M., Bro. Watt, and his Wardens. The lodge is doing good work.

A very pleasing feature of the evening was a presentation by R.W. Bro. Minnes on behalf of the lodge of a handsome jewel to R.W. Bro. Wartman, who was about to leave for the west. The R.W. Bro. has contributed much to the success of Albion Lodge.

On March 5th, 1912, I visited Minden Lodge No. 253, Kingston. The W.M., Bro. J. R. Forester conferred the first degree on a couple of candidates in a very impressive manner. As remarked by my worthy predecessor, the work of the Kingston lodges is beyond criticism and the brethren are withal as kindly as appreciative, as brotherly and refined as one may expect to meet within the pale of our great fraternity.

On the same evening, March 5th, 1912, I examined the books and met the officers of Elysian Lodge No. 212, Garden Island. The books, finances, etc. were in good shape. A series of events occurred previous to the evening which had been arranged for my visit to that lodge which prevented the brethren from getting a quorum. They are the right stuff, good Masons and deserve our consideration.

March 9, 1912.—I visited Ancient St. John's Lodge No. 3, Kingston. The W.M., Bro. Burke and his Wardens conferred several degrees in a very impressive manner, thus fully sustaining the fine reputation already possessed by St. John's. Many visitors were present from the other lodges and altogether a very profitable and delightful evening was spent.

On March 27th, 1912, I visited Prince of Wales Lodge No. 146, Newburgh and found a large and enthusiastic gathering. Prince of Wales Lodge has wonderfully improved of late years both as to quality and

numbers. Many intelligent young men are entering the precincts of the Craft. The W.M., Bro. Wilde conferred the third degree upon a well prepared candidate in a manner that could scarcely be surpassed in any district. The officers know their work and inspire enthusiasm in giving it. The lodge is doing excellent work and has a bright future

I visited Union Lodge No. 9, Napanee, on March 29th, 1912. The night was very stormy and the attendance fair. The third degree was conferred in a very capable manner by P.Ms. Thompson and Walters. Union Lodge is one of the oldest lodges in the district and many able Craftsmen have builded within her portals; among those might be mentioned R.W. Bro. Herrington, who is ever ready to help, W. Bro. Shannon, than whom a greater Secretary there is none, Bro. J.W. Thompson, Bros. E. and G. Walters and others.

On April 4th, 1912, I visited Simpson Lodge No. 157, Newboro and had a very pleasant and profitable meeting. The W.M., Bro. Dier and his officers did their work in a praiseworthy manner. As the lodge was somewhat in arrears re the S.C.B.F. we discussed the matter fully and they promised to send in the amount which they since did. The lodge is in a good financial condition and the books properly kept.

I visited Westport Lodge No. 441 on April 5th, 1912, and had a very interesting meeting. The W.M., Bro. W. M. Ewart opened and closed the lodge through the several degrees in a masterly manner. The officers, although well skilled in their work, wanted to know things, and seemed to have a very much awakened desire for Masonic knowledge which to me was very refreshing in this age. The lodge is doing an excellent work in developing a rational Freemasonry.

On April 12th, 1912 I visited Cataraqui Lodge No. 92, Kingston. This lodge is distinguished by having the largest membership of any lodge in the district. The geniality and activity of many of its members such as R.W. Bro. Shaw, Hendry, Jackson, V.W. Bro. Smeaton, etc., is highly commendable and worthy of note. The W.M., Bro. J. E. Singleton conferred the third degree in a very impressive manner. The lodge is in splendid condition. On this visit I had the very great pleasure

of the company of R.W. Bro. F. Davey Diamond, D.D.G.M. of the 13th Masonic District, who contributed much to the enjoyment of a very interesting and profitable evening.

Visited Leeds Lodge No. 201, Gananoque, on May 28th, 1912. The brethren are very enthusiastic (and rightly so) over their new hall. They have one of the finest, if not the finest in the district, modern in arrangement and equipment and tasty in finish. The first degree was conferred very impressively by the W.M., Bro. Black and P.Ms. Munro, Skinner, Graham etc on several candidates. The brethren are well-skilled, earnest, enthusiastic, and withal have much Masonic love. Leeds Lodge has a bright future.

I visited Rideau Lodge No. 460, Seeley's Bay, on July 12th, 1912. Owing to uncontrollable weather and circumstances I was unable to reach this lodge earlier. There was a fair attendance of members and visitors. W.M. Bro. Willis opened and closed the lodge in the several degrees, showing familiarity with the work. Although the lodge has of late suffered considerable loss by death and removal, there is still a sufficient number of skilled Craftsmen to keep up the good work. We spent a very enjoyable evening.

Fraternally submitted,

D. A. NESBIT, D.D.G.M.

Frontenac District No. 14.

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

Table Shewing the Work Done in Frontenac District No. 14, from June 24th, 1911, to June 24th, 1912.

No. of Lodge	Name of Lodge	Location	Members'ip		Memb-ers' Conf'd			Affiliations	Resignations	Suspensions, N.P.D.	Suspensions, other causes	Deceased	Meet's held			Amount paid for relief	No. mem. 12 mths in arrears	Total of all arrears	Date of last G. L. Return	Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W. M. work all degrees	Insurance				
			Increase during year	Decrease during year	E. A.	F. C.	M. M.																				
3A.	St. John's	Kingston	207	14	..	12	9	7	1	..	..	1	11	7	18	142	00	6	87	00	Good	Yes	\$867 00		
9	Union	Napanee	144	4	..	6	4	3	3	1	..	1	12	3	15	18	88	00	31	70	Very good	Yes	700 00				
92	Cataract	Kingston	230	18	..	16	12	9	9	1	..	5	10	9	19	37	156	75	12	80	00	Dec. 27, '11	v'y good	1500 00			
109	Albion	Harrowsmith	68	1	..	15	4	4	4	1	..	1	8	1	9	20	5	00	8	72	00	Dec. 27, '11	v'y good	900 00			
119	Maple Leaf	Bath	71	..	12	12	4	4	4	1	..	..	14	1	15	15	..	..	8	21	00	Dec. 27, '11	Good	2100 00
146	Pt. of Wales	Newburgh	63	4	..	4	4	4	4	1	..	..	11	..	11	15	..	..	6	18	00	Dec. 27, '11	mtg 1500	2800 00
157	Simpson	Newboro	72	2	..	2	3	3	3	1	..	1	9	4	13	20	..	20	50	00	June 24, '12	Good	Yes	2800 00			
201	Leeds	Gananoque	182	19	..	28	22	6	1	..	6	4	11	13	24	34	70	00	28	53	25	June 24, '12	Good	Yes	1200 00		
212	Elysian	Garden Island	19	..	1	1	3	1	4	10	June 24, '12	Good	v'y good	Yes	700 00	
228	Pt. Arthur	Odessa	61	6	1	6	7	1	1	..	1	..	12	7	19	12	..	7	14	00	Jan. 18, '12	Low	Good	Yes	Yes	700 00	
253	Minden	Kingston	144	15	..	16	8	9	4	1	..	1	11	6	17	42	66	00	4	67	00	June 24, '12	Good	Good	Yes	Yes	600 00
299	Victoria	Centreville	50	4	..	12	1	2	1	..	1	..	12	2	14	14	75	00	92	70	00	Dec. 27, '11	Good	Bright	Yes	200 00	
404	Lorne	Famworth	72	..	12	13	1	1	1	1	9	..	9	18	25	00	9	33	00	Dec. 27, '11	Good	Good	Yes	600 00	
441	Westport	Westport	56	3	..	1	1	1	1	11	1	12	15	5	00	6	12	00	June 24, '11	Fair	Good	Yes	None	1000 00
460	Rideau	Seeley's Bay	69	6	..	6	6	6	13	4	17	12	Jan. 12, '12	Good	Good	Yes	None	1000 00
497	St. Andrew's	Arden	124	4	..	5	6	6	..	1	..	3	10	3	13	10	19	50	..	Jan. 12, '12	Good	Good	Yes	None	1000 00

ST. LAWRENCE DISTRICT No. 15.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario:

MOST WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BRETHREN:

I have the honour to submit for your consideration the report of this district for the past Masonic year. Before doing so I wish to thank the representatives of the various lodges in the district for the very high honour they conferred upon me in electing me D.D.G.M. for the past year. It has been a season of profit and pleasure to me, and I can only express the hope that the brethren of the different lodges throughout the district have experienced a like result from my visits to them.

My first official duty was the issuing of a circular letter to the various lodges in the district, in which I particularly called their attention to the need of completing their share of the S.-C.B. Fund, also asking them to take part in a Lodge of Instruction.

I appointed W. Bro. W. R. Collier District Secretary and Rev. Bro. W. T. Keough District Chaplain. Both are members of St. James' Lodge.

I visited all the lodges in the district once, and some of them twice. I find them all in a good, healthy, prosperous condition, the work well done, and there is little to criticize and much to commend. I regret exceedingly that the larger and more influential lodges could not see their way clear to help me hold a Lodge of Instruction. I got no help whatever where I expected the most, and it was with much regret I was obliged to inform the M.W. the Grand Master that one could not be arranged. This should not be, and I hope my successor will be better supported in this respect. My efforts in regard to the S.-C.B. Fund have been well repaid, with the exception of two lodges. These I failed to awaken to their responsibility, but in each lodge I find some members trying to get their lodge to do its share, and the best we can do is to hope their efforts will bear fruit.

I have been pleased and favourably impressed with the efficiency of the lodge Secretaries. They have

shown themselves prompt in their correspondence and anxious to carry out their duties satisfactorily. In nearly every lodge a P.M. fills this office, and one of the best helps a W.M. can have is a well-posted Secretary. But I am afraid their work is not properly acknowledged by the lodges; they deserve more than thanks from their brethren, and I hope the lodges will better remember these patient officers.

The lodge rooms in the district are a credit to the Craft, and, without exception, are used for Masonic purposes only.

A dispensation was granted by the M.W. the Grand Master to organize a new lodge at Lombardy. This new lodge starts with very bright prospects, and I think will become one of the live country lodges of the district.

Dispensations were granted to the various lodges throughout the district to attend Divine service, for "At Homes," etc., a full list of which will be found in the Grand Secretary's report.

The following deaths have been reported to me, viz.: Bro. T. H. Wickware, Merrickville Lodge No. 55, October 3, 1911; Bro. Gabriel C. Fowlie, St. Francis Lodge No. 24, November 10, 1911; W. Bro. A. A. Chapman, Crystal Fountain Lodge No. 389, December 29, 1911; W. Bro. J. C. Alguire, Rising Sun Lodge No. 85, March 4, 1912; W. Bro. Colonel J. B. Checkley, Crystal Fountain Lodge No. 389, April 11, 1912; W. Bro. W. J. Johnston, Merrickville Lodge No. 55, May 29, 1912; R.W. Bro. Thomas Wilkinson, P.D.D.G.M., Sussex Lodge No. 5, June 6, 1912; W. Bro. Dr. J. W. Lane, Macoy Lodge No. 224, June 8, 1912.

VISITS.

St. James' Lodge No. 74, South Augusta.—Made my official visit to this lodge on December 27, 1911, and installed officers for ensuing year. This being my mother lodge, I am, no doubt, apt to be partial in my judgment of it, so will content myself with saying that this lodge is progressing in a very creditable manner, and its officers are very capable of conferring degrees and looking after all matters which may be brought before them. In fact, it is, in every way, a lodge of which to be proud.

Lyn Lodge No. 416, Lyn.—I visited this lodge on December 30, 1911. There being no degree work, the W.M. skilfully opened and closed in the three degrees, after which we had an informal discussion of questions of interest to the lodge. This lodge, which is the smallest in the district, is fraternally and financially strong, and R.W. Bro. Cummings makes an ideal Secretary. The lodge is a credit, considering its small membership and their scattered residence, and it is sure to grow. When material presents itself the officers are well able to impart the proper Masonic impression to the candidates.

Lansdowne Lodge No. 387, Lansdowne.—I visited this lodge on February 1, 1912. There being no work, the W.M. opened and closed in the three degrees. The brethren took interest in asking questions about Constitution and Grand Lodge matters, and a couple of hours were spent in discussion. This lodge has more opportunity for growth than any other in the district, as they have a small lodge in a large and prosperous vicinity. Their rooms are a credit to the Craft, but not so well looked after as they might be. The lodge has an A1 Secretary and a bright set of officers, but a closer attention to absolute correctness in work is necessary.

Central Lodge No. 110, Prescott.—Visited this lodge February 6, 1912. Four candidates were initiated into Masonry in a very impressive manner by the W.M. and his officers. This lodge is to be complimented on its officers, for the way they do their work, cool and collected at all times. The membership is growing very fast, and they are financially strong. There is also some talk of new rooms with better accommodation. The lodge has an excellent Secretary, and is in every way a credit to the district.

True Britons Lodge No. 14, Perth.—Visited this lodge February 19, 1912. It is one of the pioneer lodges of the district, its origin dating from 1818. The W.M. and his officers conferred the third degree in a manner in keeping with the reputation of the lodge, using full musical ceremony. To say the work was well done would not express the impression it made on the members present, as it gave the impression of a

solemn rite, into which each gave his whole soul. This lodge being very much behind in its S.-C.B. Fund, the W.M. appointed a committee to consider the best means of raising the money. They have an excellent Secretary.

St. Francis Lodge No. 24, Smith's Falls.—Visited this lodge on February 20, 1912, and was very enthusiastically received by the members. There was a large attendance, including visitors from the other local lodge and also Perth and Merrickville. The W.M. and his officers conferred the first degree in a manner that deserves congratulation, the J. Warden's charge being a masterpiece. This lodge has an exceedingly well-posted Secretary, who is very neat and prompt in his work.

Macoy Lodge No. 242, Mallorytown.—Visited this lodge February 26, 1912. Although it was one of the worst storms of the season, twenty-five members registered. One brother of 75 years drove over ten miles. He and his six sons are members of this lodge, and four of the sons were also present. The W.M. conferred the first degree, the P.Ms. the third, and the work was done very well indeed and the best of attention given by all present. This lodge owns its hall, is in good condition and has bright prospects.

Harmony Lodge No. 370, Delta.—Visited this lodge on February 28, 1912. A very small attendance, due to bad roads and recent storms. Found a very fine lodge room, well cared for. A good Secretary has charge of the books, and the W.M. is a very energetic Mason and knows his work well. A third degree was conferred with credit to the lodge. A discussion was held on S.-C.B. Fund, and the brethren promised to give their attention to the collection of this money. It is regrettable that this lodge should take the stand it does in regard to this fund.

Rising Sun Lodge No. 85, Athens.—Visited this lodge on February 29. About forty members were present, or fifty per cent. of the lodge roll. The auditors made a report on financial standing of lodge and congratulated the W.M., W. Bro. E. S. Clow and W. Bro. I. Alguire, the Secretary, for the splendid financial condition of the lodge. A candidate was initiated in a

creditable manner, and in all things the future of this lodge looks bright. N.B.—Three days after my visit to this lodge I was notified of the sudden death of its Secretary, W. Bro. I. Alguire. In his death the lodge loses a good and faithful officer, the district a good Mason, and the town in which he lived a much respected citizen.

Sussex Lodge No. 5 and Salem Lodge No. 368, Brockville.—Visited joint meeting of these lodges on March 6, 1912. Lodge was opened by the officers of Sussex Lodge No. 5. The chair was then taken by the W.M. of Salem Lodge. The Master-elect of Salem Lodge, who was just recovering from a severe illness, and was unable to be installed on the regular night of installation, was present, and, a dispensation having been obtained from the M.W. the Grand Master to allow him to be installed on this date, I assumed the gavel and installed him according to ancient custom, being ably assisted by the many Past Masters of both lodges. These lodges are in excellent condition, being well-officered and each having a P.D.D.G.M. for Secretary, which assures that the work of that officer is faultless. They also have splendid rooms, well cared for.

Osiris Lodge No. 489, Smith's Falls.—Visited this lodge on March 8, 1912. There was a very large attendance of members and a number of visitors. The W.M. and officers conferred an F.C. degree in a manner was a perfect master of his work. This lodge, although the youngest in the district, is one of the best. I cannot speak too highly of it. Its prospects are very bright, indeed.

Merrickville Lodge No. 55, Merrickville.—Visited this lodge March 26th, 1912. This is a good lodge, well officered. They have comfortable quarters and the attendance was good. There being no degree work, the W.M. opened and closed in the three degrees, and an hour was spent in discussion of the work. At this lodge I listened to some addresses by the members which showed they have the true idea of Masonry.

Mount Zion Lodge No. 28, Kemptville.—Visited this lodge March 29, 1912. This is another of the pioneer lodges, with up-to-date quarters and modern equip-

ment. R.W. Bro. Langstaff is the W.M., and that can be taken for surety that all proceedings are in accordance with ancient customs and constitutions. The W.M. and P.Ms. conferred one second and two third degrees. The prospects of this lodge bid fair to keep the reputation up to the standard set by the lodge in former years.

Crystal Fountain Lodge No. 389, North Augusta.—Visited this lodge on May 1, 1912. The W.M. was ill and unable to take his place, which was filled by one of the P.Ms., and a first degree conferred. I find the junior officers of this lodge very capable and its prospects bright. This lodge has suffered the loss of two very energetic P.Ms. during the year—W. Bro. A. A. Chapman and W. Bro. Colonel J. B. Checkley. Both deaths were very sudden, and the W. Bros. will be very much missed in lodge, as they were very regular attendants. The I.P.M. has also removed from the town. The W.M., although a very busy man, deserves great credit for the way he is handling his lodge, and I may safely say this is one of the lodges which is sure to come to the front.

Otter Lodge, U.D., Lombardy.—Instituted this lodge on June 18th, 1912. Lombardy is a small village about seven miles from the town of Smith's Falls. It is surrounded by a very prosperous farming country. The lodge takes its name from a small lake near the village. I was assisted in the ceremony by R. W. Bros. Watchorn and McGee of Merrickville Lodge No. 55, also the W.Ms. and about forty members of the two lodges in Smith's Falls. There were fifteen names on their petition for dispensation, and six applications were read on night of institution. The prospects of this new lodge are very bright.

In my report of each lodge, I purposely omitted mentioning the hospitality received, but I must here say that at each lodge I visited a sumptuous banquet was tendered at the close of the evening, and the good cheer extended, the friends there made, and the ideas expressed in such an able manner by the members of the different lodges, will long remain in memory after any small trials or difficulties of the year shall have faded away into the forgotten past.

In conclusion, permit me to heartily thank the brethren of St. Lawrence District for the kindness shown me during my term of office, and to express the hope that they will treat my successor in the same hearty way.

Fraternally submitted.

EDWIN A. McKIM, D.D.G.M.,
St. Lawrence District No. 15.

OTTAWA DISTRICT No. 16.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario:

MOST WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BRETHREN:

I have the honour to present my report on the condition of Masonry in Ottawa District No. 16.

Permit me in the first place to express to the brethren of this district my appreciation of the great honours conferred on me by electing me District Deputy Grand Master, and I feel deeply indebted to the Masters of the lodges of the district, the P.D.D.G.Ms., Past Masters and brethren who so willingly gave me their co-operation during my visits. I have visited every lodge in the district and I am pleased to report that with one exception the lodges have experienced a year of great prosperity, and that in every instance the work presented was of high order, and I can safely state that Masonry in this district unquestionably is in good condition, not only from the view point of the work but also financially, the amounts in arrears in the various lodges being less than at any time in the past, and the books also show that the Secretaries are efficient and worthy officers. I feel that my predecessors are entitled to the major portion of the credit for the good work done in many of the lodges in the district as well as for their good financial standing.

I appointed W. Bro. John P. Miller, of Pembroke Lodge 128, District Secretary and he has rendered me most valuable assistance during the year.

OFFICIAL VISITS.

Chaudiere Lodge No. 264, Ottawa, Oct. 24th, 1911.—I made my first official visit to this lodge and received a cordial welcome. I was honoured by having with me a distinguished deputation comprising several P.D.D.G. Ms. The third degree was exemplified by W. Bro. Sievers and his officers, which was done in a very creditable manner. I was pleased to be informed that the proposed Masonic Temple was making good headway, and that the building of same was assured.

Renfrew Lodge No. 122, Renfrew.—I visited this

lodge 6th of November, 1911. The attendance was not as large as I expected. This however could be accounted for from the fact of it being a very disagreeable night. W. Bro. Usher and his officers worked the first degree in a faultless manner. This lodge has always been noted for its thoroughness in the work and on this occasion the officers worthily sustained this reputation. Many matters of interest connected with the work were discussed.

Lodge of Fidelity No. 231, Ottawa.—My official visit to this lodge was made the 21st Nov. 1911. The attendance was exceptionally large, many visiting brethren of note being present. The exemplification of the first degree by W. Bro. Munro and his officers was perfect, leaving no room for criticism. Members of the Committee for the erection of the new Masonic Temple addressed the lodge stating the progress made and urging the brethren to give their hearty co-operation.

Mississippi Lodge No. 147, Almonte.—I visited this lodge on December 1st, 1911 and received a warm welcome, there being a good attendance. W. Bro. Kirkland and his officers worked the first degree in a satisfactory manner. This lodge has quite overcome the set back it received by the loss of everything by fire, and a bright future is before it, as the rising officers show great capability in the work.

The Builder's Lodge No. 177, Ottawa.—On the 8th December, 1911, I visited this lodge and I was accorded a very warm welcome. The same large attendance marked this meeting as at all my visits to the other lodges of the city. The work was the first degree and was exemplified by W. Bro. McKee and his officers in almost a perfect manner. I could offer no criticism.

St. John's Lodge No. 63, Carleton Place.—I had the pleasure of being with the Carleton Place brethren on December 13th, 1911, the opening night of their beautiful new lodge, when there was a large attendance. The new quarters are up to date in every particular. The lodge room being large and airy. They have also a large banquet hall and several dressing rooms, ante-rooms, etc. The building is owned by the brethren and the quarters are the finest in the district. The brethren

deserve great credit for the zeal and energy they have shown in erecting this property at a cost of about \$14,000. The second degree was creditably worked by W. Bro. Edwards and his officers. This lodge is one of the most progressive in the district.

Dalhousie Lodge No. 52, Ottawa.—I was accompanied to old Dalhousie (I use this term as it is the oldest lodge in the district) by R.W. Bro. Josephs, V.W. Bro. Leitch and W. Bro. Millar of Pembroke Lodge on the 2nd of January 1912. There was a large attendance. The first degree was exemplified by W. Bro. Parker and his officers in a satisfactory manner.

Prince of Wales Lodge No. 371, Ottawa.—I visited this lodge on the 23rd of February, 1912 and received an enthusiastic welcome. A large number of brethren being present. The exemplification of the first degree by W. Bro. Jones and his officers was exceedingly well done.

Pembroke Lodge No. 128, Pembroke.—I visited this my mother lodge on the 4th April, 1912 and was accorded a warm welcome. There was a good attendance there being a number of visiting brethren from neighboring lodges. The work presented was the second degree which was impressively rendered by W. Bro. Hunter and his officers, each doing his part with credit. Knowing, as I do, that the work is always well done in this lodge, I think that W. Bro. Hunter and the brethren excelled themselves on this occasion. Pembroke Lodge is enjoying a period of prosperity, the W.M. and his officers having more work than they can reasonably perform, which necessitates numerous emergent meetings.

Doric Lodge No. 58, Ottawa.—I received a warm and fraternal welcome from this lodge on the 5th of April, 1912, a very large number being present. The work of the evening was beyond criticism as W. Bro. Bartram and his officers presented the first degree in a perfect manner.

Civil Service Lodge No. 148, Ottawa.—On the 9th of April, 1912, I visited this lodge. A pleasant feature of this visit was the deputation which accompanied me, which consisted of the W. Masters of the other six sister

lodes in the city and the W.M. of Eddy Lodge, Hull, Quebec, showing the harmony and warm fraternal spirit existing among the membership in the city of Ottawa and neighborhood. W. Bro. McKay and his officers exemplified the third degree in a most creditable manner. This lodge is noted for its musical talent which added greatly to the impressiveness and solemnity of the work.

Madawaska Lodge No. 196, Arnprior.—My visit to this lodge was on the 8th of April, 1912 and I was surprised at the small attendance. The work however as exemplified by W. Bro. A. E. de Renzy and the other officers, namely, the first degree, was very well done.

Russell Lodge No. 479, Russell.—A large deputation accompanied me from Ottawa on my official visit to this lodge on the 20th of May, 1912, and received a royal welcome. The work of the evening was the third degree which was rendered in a satisfactory manner by W. Bro. Sutherland and his officers.

Evergreen Lodge No. 209, Lanark.—I made my official visit on the 7th May, 1912 and was cordially received. There was a small attendance. There being no work, I had W. Bro. McLaren open and close the lodge in the three degrees, which was well done. This lodge has been unfortunate in its officers—the Junior Warden and one of the Deacons having left for the West. An hour was spent in discussing matters of interest to the lodge. The members are enthusiastic, and I have no doubt but that Lanark Lodge will show good progress in the near future.

Corinthian Lodge No. 476, North Gower.—My official visit was made to this lodge on the 24th May, 1912. There was a fair attendance. The work of the evening was the first degree and was creditably worked by W. Bro. Johnston and his officers. The members of this lodge are also enthusiastic and do good work.

Goodwood Lodge No. 159, Richmond.—On the 28th of May, 1912 I visited this lodge and received a kindly welcome, quite a few from Ottawa were present. The business of the lodge occupied considerable time and the night being excessively warm no work was presented. I was pleased to know that the brethren are contem-

plating the building of a new hall, in fact a resolution was made appointing a committee to negotiate for the purchase of a site. The present lodge room has been in use for a great many years, and is unsuitable in several respects for the needs of the work. From the manner in which the business of the lodge was transacted I have no doubt but that the officers are efficient in the work.

Bonnechere Lodge No. 433, Eganville.—My visit was made to this lodge on the 31st of May, 1912. There was a small attendance. This lodge meets in the Orange Hall at present, there being no other available place in the town. A lodge however is being built for them and will be ready for occupation about the 1st January next. This lodge has shown less progress than any in the district. I have hopes however that a renewed interest will be taken when they get into their new quarters. No work has been done in the past year on account of the present quarters being unsuitable. This condition was caused by a disastrous fire in July, 1911, which practically wiped the town out of existence.

Carleton Lodge No. 465, Carp.—I visited this lodge on the 7th June, 1912, the evening of the day on which I laid the corner stone of the new Methodist church. There was a good attendance, no work was presented. I had the lodge opened and closed in the three degrees which was very well done. A profitable half hour was spent discussing matters of interest to lodge work and Masonry in general. This lodge has very nice quarters and the appointments are good. The members are enthusiasts and the lodge shows good progress.

Cobden Lodge No. 459, Cobden.—My official visit was made to this lodge on the 11th June, 1912. I received a warm welcome. There was a good attendance. It was a pleasant surprise for me when the first degree was exemplified in a manner second to none in the district by W. Bro. Murdoch and his officers. The reports I had heard of Cobden lodge were anything but favorable, but I am pleased to report that this lodge is progressing, has an enthusiastic lot of members and capable officers, and has a bright future before it.

On the 9th of February, 1912, I held a Lodge of

Instruction under the auspices of St. John's Lodge, Carleton Place. The W.M., the Grand Master honoured the meeting by being present, he having dedicated St. John's Lodge the same day. There was a large attendance, over two hundred brethren being registered, and practically every lodge in the district was represented. The first degree was worked by Renfrew Lodge and the second by Arnprior Lodge in the afternoon; in the evening Civil Service Lodge worked the third degree. The work of the different degrees was done in a most satisfactory manner, considerable discussion took place after each degree as to details of the work which was both interesting and instructive. After the work in the lodge room was completed St. John's Lodge tendered a banquet to the M.W. the Grand Master. I wish to express my thanks to the W.M., officers and members of St. John's Lodge for their assistance in making this meeting a success.

By direction of the M.W., the Grand Master, I represented him at the laying of the corner stone of the new Methodist church at Carp, on the 7th of June.

The following deaths have been reported to me viz:—
 Madawaska Lodge No. 196, R.W. Bro. Arch. Hood and Bro. Alex. Carmichael; Renfrew Lodge No. 122, Bro. Robert Leitch; Bonnechere Lodge No. 433, Bro. D.F. McGregor; Pembroke Lodge No. 128, Bro. Chas. Taylor; Dalhousie Lodge No. 52, Bro. G. T. Thompson. Bro. Geo. Hay, Bro. Wm. Garnett, Bro. W. H. Merritt.

Before closing I desire to thank the brethren throughout the district for the kind and courteous treatment accorded me.

Fraternally submitted,

ALEX. MORRIS, D.D.G.M.,

Ottawa District No. 16.

ALGOMA DISTRICT No. 17.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario:

MOST WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BRETHREN:

The undersigned has the honour to submit for your consideration his report on the condition of Masonry in the Seventeenth Masonic District for the past year.

The individual lodges were duly advised of my selection as District Deputy Grand Master and of W. Bro. Rev. A. J. Bruce of Golden Star Lodge No. 484, Dryden, as District Chaplain and W. Bro. J. S. McNulty of Shuniah Lodge No. 287, Port Arthur, as District Secretary. At the same time attention was particularly directed to the necessity for exercising the greatest care in the selection of Masters, as well as the requirement of such knowledge of the work as would enable them to properly and creditably exemplify it.

All the lodges were visited during the year and all but one visit was made on the regular night of meeting. The lodges of Port Arthur and Fort William were each visited on several occasions, and it affords much pleasure to state that the work generally is very creditable indeed. There is a growing tendency on the part of our officials to magnify the offices which they hold and to render the best service of which they are capable. In making the official visits I departed somewhat from the general mode of conducting them and laid particular stress on demonstrating and thoroughly explaining the work, to the evident satisfaction of the brethren. Our district covers a vast territory, and outside the towns and cities the lodges are a great distance apart, and are thus unable to have the advantage of meeting frequently with other lodges, so that they appreciate an evening occasionally devoted to the demonstration of the work generally.

Our lodges are growing rapidly in numbers and influence, while the finances are in a correspondingly satisfactory condition. Throughout the whole district peace and harmony prevails. Our sick and suffering are tenderly nursed and cared for, and loving hands have laid to rest those who were appointed unto death.

A NEW LODGE INSTITUTED.

Of the many pleasant duties falling to my lot, the most satisfactory one was that of organizing a new lodge in the city of Port Arthur. This was rendered absolutely necessary by the rapid growth in population. Accordingly, on the initiative of a number of enthusiastic brethren, a petition was duly prepared and forwarded to the M.W. the Grand Master, who was pleased to grant the prayer of the petitioners for a dispensation, and on the evening of the 13th of November last it was my good fortune to have the privilege of instituting and organizing the brethren as Port Arthur Lodge U.D. There was a large attendance of brethren from Shuniah, Royal and Fort William Lodges, and I was ably assisted in the work by R.W. Bro. J. W. Morgan, W. Bro. J. S. McNulty, District Secretary, and W. Bros. Grant, Rodden and Rapsey. V.W. Bro. J. S. Hollinshead was appointed by the Grand Master as W.M. and Bros. Andrew Rome and A. F. McDonald as S.W. and J.W., respectively. The dispensation contained the names of twenty-seven charter members. After the ceremony the officers and members received the congratulations of the visiting brethren.

FORMATION OF A PAST MASTERS' ASSOCIATION.

The question of keeping our Past Masters interested in the work after the completion of their term of office was brought to my attention from time to time, and after considerable discussion and enquiry it was decided to form an Association for the Worshipful brethren of the Twin Cities of Port Arthur and Fort William. R.W. Bro. Henry T. Smith, Secretary of the Toronto Association, rendered every assistance, and the success of our organization is largely due to his kindness. I issued a letter to all of the eligible officials asking them to meet me at the Prince Arthur Hotel on the evening of the 13th of February of this year. The matter in question was thoroughly discussed, and it was unanimously decided to organize under the name of "The Past Masters' Association of Port Arthur and Fort William." R.W. Bro. J. W. Morgan was elected President, W. Bro. Wood Vice-President, and R.W. Bro. W. S. Beaver Secretary. The Association has already more than justified its existence, and is doing most excellent work, which is being reflected in the lodges.

Greater uniformity in the work, as well as care and efficiency, are already manifested by the Masters.

OFFICIAL VISITS.

I was pleased to respond to the invitation of the brethren of Shuniah and Fort William Lodges to install their new officers for the ensuing year on the evening of St. John's Day, December 27th, 1911. Over a hundred members of the Craft assembled in the Masonic Hall at Fort William to witness the proceedings. R.W. Bro. J. W. Morgan and W. Bros. Wood, Grant, Rodden, Woodside, Allen and Mair assisted in the impressive and edifying ceremony. During the evening a handsome jewel was presented to W. Bro. J. H. Woodside, the retiring Master of Shuniah Lodge.

Shuniah Lodge No. 287, Port Arthur, A. P. Freed, W.M.—On the evening of February 6th, 1912, an official visit was made to the above lodge, the mother of the lodges in this vast and rapidly-developing district. There was a splendid attendance and much enthusiasm prevailed. The fathers of Masonry in Western Algoma—R.W. Bros. W. C. Dobie, W. S. Beaver and J. W. Morgan, V.W. Bros. J. T. Hollinshead and F. B. Allen, and W. Bro. J. T. C. Rodden—occupied seats in the East and assisted in the work from time to time as requested. W. Bro. Freed presided in a most efficient manner, evincing his thorough grasp of all matters Masonic. Two candidates were passed to the second degree in a manner which showed careful preparation by the officers. The books were found well kept, and all the formal documents were prepared in true Masonic form. Shuniah Lodge is to be specially congratulated upon its splendid position, numerically, Masonically, and financially. Excellent business management has been one of its chief characteristics, and as a consequence they now own the finest property in New Ontario, beautifully furnished and equipped, as well as a splendid revenue-producing property, all free from incumbrance.

Royal Lodge No. 453, Fort William, H. S. Lewis, W.M.—I was very much pained to find on this, the official visit, that W. Bro. Lewis, whose health for some time had been failing, was unable to be present with

us, for none would have enjoyed the meeting quite so much. I had previously paid this lodge a visit and seen Bro. Lewis conduct the lodge and perform the work, and can testify that no Master ever occupied a chair who loved the cause more or was more zealous in its behalf. The lodge on this occasion was in the hands of the Past Masters. Two candidates were raised, the work being well put on. Bro. Card, the Chaplain, certainly did his work in a manner reflecting the greatest credit on his devotion to Masonry. I was more than delighted to see the care manifested in the selection of candidates. V.W. Bro. F. C. Perry, the Secretary, keeps his books and records neatly and correctly, and was duly thanked for his care.

Port Arthur Lodge U.D., Port Arthur, V.W. Bro. J. T. Hollinshead, W.M.—This lodge was organized by me on the 18th of November, 1911, and on the 12th of February, 1912, the official visit was made. There was a large attendance of members, as well as visitors from Shuniah, Royal and Fort William Lodges, including a number of R.W. and W. brethren. The Master presided and two first and one second degrees were conferred in an entirely satisfactory manner. From the inception of the lodge I had been a regular visitor, and was thus enabled to see the quality of the work, as well as the mode of conducting the business from time to time, and need hardly say that there was but little room for improvement. Bro. Hollinshead is an indefatigable worker and has the faculty of getting his officers and members all enthused as well. He deserves great praise for his unstinted services in placing the new lodge on a firm and sure foundation. Commencing in November with a charter membership of twenty-seven, they have in seven months increased to seventy-six, largely by initiation, although the brethren have made special efforts to get the unaffiliated brethren (of whom there are a great many) to unite with them. All the candidates are young men of excellent standing in the community, and the character of the lodge is a credit to the city and district. The greatest care is taken in the manner of accepting applications, and all applicants unknown to the Master and Wardens are required to personally present themselves before them prior to recommendation to the lodge. Bro. Hulbert

Austin, the Secretary, an old member of Moira Lodge, Belleville, is a most painstaking official and keeps the records and finances in thoroughly business form. The books of the lodge are being forwarded to Grand Lodge, with a petition praying for a warrant.

Fort William Lodge No. 415, Fort William, W. Bro. R. E. Mason, W.M.—On the 14th of February, 1912, I was privileged to visit the above-named lodge in an official manner, and was delighted to meet so many brethren of the lodge, as well as visitors from the sister lodges. R.W. Bro. Edmondston, V.W. Bro. Hollinshead and W. Bros. Grant, Wood, Coe and Armstrong were present to assist W. Bro. Mason, who had but lately assumed the Master's chair, and who filled it with great dignity and credit. The first degree was conferred in a most impressive manner, reflecting hard and intelligent work on the part of the officers. W. Bro. Coe, the Secretary, takes evident pride in keeping the records of the lodge in proper shape, and his Masonic knowledge is of great assistance to the lodge in general. The brethren of this lodge have for some years labored under the burden of paying for their fine home, and it is gratifying to have to report that in the near future they anticipate that freedom to which their labors in the past fully entitle them. During this year they have paid off the balance due on the Semi-Centennial Fund, at some considerable sacrifice on their part. The brethren of Fort William Lodge No. 415 have a beautiful Temple, an enthusiastic and capable Master, a splendid list of Past Masters, a large and loyal membership, and a vision of increased usefulness in the immediate future. My visit to them was most enjoyable on this as well as on other occasions.

Granite Lodge No. 446, Fort Frances, V.W. Bro. Wm. Floyd, W.M.—The evening of the 5th of March, 1912, found me visiting the brethren of Granite Lodge No. 446 at Fort Frances, in the Rainy River district. The hall was filled to overflowing with the members and a number of visiting brethren from Koochiehing Lodge, from the American town of International Falls, immediately across the river. It must be confessed that my visit to these brethren was accompanied by many misgivings on my part, occasioned by the report of my predecessor of the previous year, and my surprise

was all the greater at the warm reception I received. I found the Master's chair occupied by a V.W. Bro., and the chairs of the Wardens occupied by two Past Masters, W. Bro. Wright and W. Bro. Baker. Granite Lodge has sensibly taken note of the criticisms of the P.D.D.G.M., and instead of complaining had resolutely gone about the work of restoration, with the result that they had now become one of the principal lodges in Algoma District. The work of the first degree was exemplified in a manner beyond fair criticism, and the Immediate Past Master, Bro. Warner, gave the concluding charge from the Book of Constitution in a manner that I had never heard before. The books were well and neatly kept, and the finances are in good condition. The practice of the fundamental principles of the Order appears to be the first aim of these brethren. I took occasion to thank the Worshipful brethren for their loyalty in coming to the assistance of the lodge in its time of need. Some of our lodges do not seem to realize what they owe to the Past Masters.

Ionic No. 461, Rainy River, W. Bro. Craig, W.M.—On March 7th, 1912, I visited Ionic Lodge No. 461, also in the Rainy River district. Considerable business was transacted, but on account of the desire of the brethren to make our visit one of profit as well as pleasure, it was decided to make the meeting one of instruction. With the assistance of the visiting brethren, the degrees were each explained, and great interest was manifested, the proceedings lasting until a late hour, after which refreshments were served and a most enjoyable evening brought to a happy close. The books are in charge of W. Bro. McGregor, one of the pillars of Masonry in this district. Everything was found correct and in proper form. These brethren are doing good work, are most zealous, and Masonry through them has a powerful influence in the community. W. Bro. Craig, their present Master, enjoys the respect and esteem of the members in a marked degree.

Golden Star Lodge No. 484, Dryden, W. Bro. J. A. McPhail, W.M.—After concluding my visit to the Rainy River lodges, on the evening of the 12th of March, 1912, it was my good fortune to spend the lodge hours with my own lodge at Dryden, 212 miles west from Port Arthur. I was most cordially received by

W. Bro. McPhail and his officers and members. The work consisted in conferring the first degree and was very creditable. Bro. Taylor, the Secretary, is an excellent penman, and takes great pride in keeping his books properly. Golden Star is the second youngest lodge in the district, but is thoroughly established. It was organized in 1907, and for the first three years of its existence made remarkable progress, owing to the large number of men in the vicinity engaged in the construction of the Transcontinental Railway. Owing to the completion of this section, however, many of the members have removed, and the membership has suffered somewhat through withdrawals. Notwithstanding this, however, the brethren are hopeful, and the immediate building of large mills and consequent influx of population ensures the prosperity of Masonry. The brethren have a beautifully furnished and appointed hall, with finances in good shape and a body of zealous members who are determined to guard the portals and maintain the principles of our beloved Order.

Lake-of-the-Woods Lodge No. 445, Kenora, W. Bro. W. E. Chapple, W.M.—Pequonga Lodge No. 414, Kenora, W. Bro. A. S. McDonald, W.M.—The brethren of the above lodges were visited on the 13th of March, 1912, and as they are situated some three hundred miles from my place of residence, it was naturally felt that a joint meeting would be in order, and it was accordingly requested. There was a splendid attendance, and the hall was completely filled. Owing to the serious illness of the Master, W. Bro. Chapple, one of the Past Masters presided, and the first degree was conferred upon Bishop Lofthouse, of the Keewatin Diocese. A most interesting and instructive hour was spent in discussing various phases of Masonry. The books of the lodges are well kept and the finances in a satisfactory condition. Kenora is rather a small town to support two lodges, yet, from the enthusiasm manifested and the results obtained, their existence is quite justified. The two lodges pursue their work along somewhat different lines, and there is no conflict in methods. One of them appears to regard the lodge as a social club, and to this end confines its membership largely to professional men, while the other proceeds on the broad principle that every man who can qualify

in the usual Masonic manner is entitled to membership in a body whose founders practised in an eminent degree the doctrines of brotherly love, relief and truth. My visit to the Kenora lodges was pleasant and, I trust, profitable. The brethren were kindness personified.

Keewatin Lodge No. 417, Keewatin, W. Bro. H. S. Galloway, W.M.—I visited the above lodge on the 5th of April, 1912. The third degree was conferred by the Master and his officers, the work being well performed. An hour or more was spent in consultation and explanation of the recent changes, and great interest was manifested by the members. Bro. Holmes, the efficient Secretary, keeps the records neatly and correctly. The brethren have purchased their hall and are earnestly engaged in paying off the debt. In view of the efforts they are making, I did not feel like pressing for the balance due by them on the Semi-Centennial Fund, being assured that the amount would be paid at the earliest opportunity. I was much impressed with the earnest spirit manifested by the members of this lodge. There was an evident desire to become better acquainted with the customs and usages of the Order, and much stress was laid upon the importance of a better understanding of our principles and history. It was a great pleasure for me to meet the brethren of Keewatin in their own Masonic home and enjoy their companionship and their unstinted hospitality.

IN CONCLUSION.

It would be unkind on my part were I not to express the gratitude I feel to the brethren of the district for their unvarying courtesy and brotherly kindness. That these were confined to no particular lodges only goes to prove the universality of the science and the further fact that Masonry is not some cunningly-devised fable, designed to entrap the foolish and unwary, but is built upon that Impregnable Rock upon which the winds may blow and the floods beat, but in vain.

Fraternally submitted,

W. A. QUIBELL, D.D.G.M.,
Algoma District No. 17.

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.
Table Shewing the Work Done in Algoma District No. 17, from June 24th, 1911, to June 24th, 1912.

No. of Lodge	Name of Lodge	Location	Mem- bers'lp		Total No. of all Mem.	Increase during year		Decrease during year		Degr's Conf'd		Affiliations		Restorations	Resignations	Suspensions, N.P.D.	Suspensions, other causes	Deceased	Meet's held			Aver. atten'ce of members	Amount paid for relief	No. mem. 12 m'ths in ar'rs	Total of all arrearages	Date of last G. L. Return	Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W.M. work all degrees	Insurance		
			Total	Emergent		Regular	Emergent	Total																								
287	Shumlah	Port Arthur	....	246	4	25	20	13	3	1	1	3	1	1	2	1	2	14	13	27	26	135	00	85	703	15	Dec.	27, '11	Good	Good	Yes	Fully
414	Pequonga	Kenora	....	167	8	5	4	6	2	1	1	2	1	1	8	1	3	13	4	17	16	270	00	313	15	Dec.	27, '11	Good	Good	Yes	1020 00	
415	Fort William	Port William	....	221	11	..	..	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	8	..	..	14	12	26	54	112	75	46	681	00	Dec.	27, '11	Good	Good	Yes	2500 00
417	Keewatin	Keewatin	....	84	6	..	..	6	7	8	5	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	12	1	13	17	..	18	43	00	Dec.	27, '11	Good	Good	Yes	2500 00
445	L. of Woods	Kenora	....	51	..	..	..	3	3	5	1	1	1	1	..	..	..	110	4	14	15	10	15	3	149	00	Dec.	27, '11	Fair	Fair	Yes	600 00
446	Graulte	Port Frances	....	79	8	..	..	4	5	6	1	1	1	1	..	..	..	213	6	19	12	15	00	..	..	..	Dec.	27, '11	Good	Excell't	Yes	800 00
453	Royal	Port William	....	124	12	13	11	13	8	1	1	1	1	1	6	..	..	214	4	18	20	..	..	4	48	00	June	24, '12	Good	Bright	Yes	500 00
461	lonic	Rainy River	....	91	9	1	9	8	6	6	4	2	2	2	5	..	..	112	12	24	17	25	00	31	367	00	Jan.	1, '12	Good	Good	Yes	1100 00
484	Golden Star	Dryden	....	88	6	5	2	6	6	4	2	2	2	2	..	..	..	13	2	15	18	..	..	22	124	35	Dec.	27, '11	Fair	Good	Yes	700 00
UD	Port Arthur	Port Arthur	....	76	50	..	..	36	24	25	14	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	13	20	31	..	..	..	15	00	Dec.	27, '11	Excell't	Excell't	Yes	..

NIPISSING DISTRICT No. 18.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario:

MOST WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BRETHREN:

I have the honour herewith to submit my report on the condition of Masonry in the Eighteenth Masonic District for the year just closed.

In doing so I desire to express my appreciation of the honour done me by the brethren of the district in electing me unanimously to this responsible position. I entered upon my duties not without many misgivings on my part, but the brethren one and all have given me such assistance in the work that I am led to believe that my term of office has been more successful than I could have hoped.

One of my first official acts was to appoint W. Bro. J. A. Nixon of Sturgeon Falls Lodge No. 447 as District Secretary, and Bro. Rev. Canon Piercy of Keystone Lodge No. 412, but now residing in Sturgeon Falls, as District Chaplain. While the duties of District Chaplain have not been of a very onerous nature, I have received a great deal of assistance from W. Bro. Piercy, and wish to thank him for the help rendered me on many occasions.

My next duty was to send out a circular letter to the lodges of the district outlining some of the points that appeared of special value. Among others I suggested the establishment by each lodge of a separate fund for local charitable purposes. Some of the lodges had already such a fund in existence, and I am pleased to know that now nearly all the lodges have a fund ready at short notice for purposes of charity.

I have visited all the lodges in the district, and as far as practicable have chosen the regular meeting night for my visit. In some cases this was impossible on account of the great distances to be travelled. It was my good fortune in every lodge, with but one exception, to find the W.M. occupying the chair, and in all I saw actual work being done.

Masonry throughout the district is in a most healthy and vigorous condition. All the lodges have made

large gains in membership, notwithstanding the great care that is being exercised in the scrutiny of the character of the candidates for admission. I was particularly pleased to note the high character of the candidates who were receiving degrees during my visits, and in every case I pointed out this important necessity if Masonry is to continue a power for good and to attract the best men. I am happy to say that this lesson has been already well impressed on the brethren, and my words were intended only to encourage a continuance of their laudable practice. Masonry in this district of the north is exerting a most beneficial influence. The result cannot be measured by the amount of money passing through the hands of the lodges, nor by the amount contributed for charitable purposes, though in that respect, as will appear from the annexed returns of the work of the different lodges, a large work is being done. The silent, moulding influence of the precepts inculcated by Masonry have a value that cannot be expressed in dollars and cents, and in a district like this, that is throbbing with life and activity, where men's eyes are apt to be often turned towards the God of wealth, whatever directs attention to the deeper and truer things of life must be of great value.

SEMI-CENTENNIAL FUND.

The quota of all the lodges of this district towards the Semi-Centennial Fund has long since been paid, and in many cases overpaid. I did not, therefore, feel called upon to take the matter up further than to refer to the approaching completion of the undertaking. I was pleasantly surprised, however, at Cobalt, on the occasion of my visit to Silver Lodge, to be presented with a cheque for \$50.00 as a further contribution towards that fund, which I was glad to forward to the Grand Treasurer.

NEW LODGES.

Last year Grand Lodge was pleased to make a contribution of \$1,000 towards the relief of the sufferers at the disastrous fire at Porcupine, which was fully appreciated by the people of that locality. This year, I am glad to say, Porcupine has recovered from the effects of that calamity, and a petition for a new lodge

from about thirty brethren of the vicinity was received and, having been recommended by Temiskaming and Haileybury Lodges, was forwarded to the M.W. the Grand Master with my recommendation, and on June 21st, 1912, a dispensation was issued for the establishment of a new lodge, to be known as Porcupine Lodge. Bro. Thomas W. Foster is to be Worshipful Master, Bro. Charles M. Piercy to be Senior Warden and Bro. Robert Sims to be Junior Warden. I had hoped to have the lodge instituted before the meeting of Grand Lodge, but owing to the rooms not being ready, the date of instituting the lodge had to be postponed.

The brethren at Elk Lake have also prepared a petition, which I understand has been recommended by Temiskaming Lodge, and it will be received in the near future, and I have no doubt, from the bright prospects of a lodge there, that the M.W. the Grand Master will be pleased to grant the request of the brethren. I also anticipate an application for the establishment of a lodge during the ensuing year from the brethren at Cochrane. Then the worthy D.D.G.M. will have a district of truly grand proportions, from Mattawa to the Soo and from North Bay to Cochrane.

FRATERNAL DEAD.

It is my sad duty to report the decease of a number of the brethren of this district. The hand of death seems to have pressed heavily on the different lodges. The following deaths have been reported to me: Bros. G. R. MacLaren of Nickel Lodge No. 427; P. A. Ferguson of Mattawa Lodge No. 405 and Haileybury Lodge No. 485; D. Findlay, B. McKinstry and R. Proctor of Keystone Lodge No. 412; Gerald M. Deming of Silver Lodge No. 486; James Munro Fraser of Gore Bay Lodge No. 472; John W. Graham of Penewobikong Lodge No. 487; Howard Johnston of Temiskaming Lodge No. 462; G. L. Thompson, A. C. Cumpson, Wm. Lindquist and C. R. Boucher of Nipissing Lodge No. 420; John Currie of Algoma Lodge No. 469; Walter Theodore Feldon of Haileybury Lodge No. 485.

Throughout the district I have found the finances of the lodges well looked after, with the exception in a few cases of a rather large amount of dues outstanding. The work of the collection of the dues falls to the

Secretary, and I have seen at different times a Secretary present a report of no dues outstanding at the end of the year. I am pleased to say that one lodge in this district, and that the youngest, occupies that position at the present time. Some look upon the collection of the dues as a gauge of the zeal of the Secretary. This is not a fair test, but it usually happens when a Secretary is lax in his duties the outstanding dues will accumulate. While Masonry is a fraternal institution, its interests must be handled in a business way. The books of the lodges are well kept. Some of the lodges each year prepare a full financial statement, and it would be well if each lodge did the same.

SOCIAL FUNCTIONS.

At each of the lodges I was royally entertained at a banquet after the work in the lodge room. All of these were most lavishly provided for and were thoroughly enjoyed. I took occasion to point out that the interchange of fraternal feelings in the banquet room was a very important part of the work of Masonry, and though it was not expected that there should be more than some simple refreshments, the mingling of brethren outside the formality of the lodge room was one way of cultivating fraternity. In many of the lodges it is the custom to have some such little gathering after the more serious work of the evening.

OFFICIAL VISITS.

Mattawa Lodge No. 405, March 5th, 1912, Meeting regular.—My first official visit was paid to this lodge, of which I am a member, though it is long since I had an opportunity of being present. It felt like being home again to be among the brethren. W. Bro. A. Borrowman presided. There was a good attendance, and the work of the second degree was exemplified in a fairly creditable manner. This lodge has suffered lately by the removal from town of some of the principal officers, and this year the W.M. has removed since my visit. The prospects of the lodge are bright. This lodge has a custom which is worthy of imitation. On June 24th the installation of officers takes place, and in the afternoon of the same day a decoration service is held in the cemetery of the graves of deceased members. This being the oldest lodge in the district, quite

a number of the brethren are laid to rest in the little graveyard overlooking the Ottawa River.

Silver Lodge No. 486, March 6th, 1912, Meeting emergent, W. Bro. R. H. James, W.M., in the chair.—The attendance was large, about one hundred being present. This lodge possesses a magnificent lodge building, of which they are justly proud. The appointments are excellent. The work of the evening was a first and third, which were most impressively conferred by the W.M. and his officers. The meeting of the Mining Institute in Toronto interfered slightly with the attendance of the officers.

Haileybury Lodge No. 485, March 7th, 1912, Meeting regular.—I was honoured by a large attendance of nearly one hundred. The work of the first degree was ably and impressively done by the W.M., W. Bro. A. J. Carson. The work was conferred with musical accompaniment, which added to the beauty of the ceremony. The singing of Bro. N. Strong was particularly pleasing. W. Bro. Carson is a most enthusiastic Master, and is surrounded by a set of officers who take great pride in their lodge. V.W. Bro. Ebbitt is a source of great strength to this lodge, of which he is Secretary. The appointments are excellent and the books well kept.

Temiskaming Lodge No. 462, March 8th, 1912, Meeting emergent.—The attendance was good. The W.M., W. Bro. L. H. Neil, presided, and with his officers conferred a first degree in an excellent manner, leaving little to be desired. This lodge owns its lodge rooms and is comfortably located. The books are well kept and the prospects are bright.

Nickel Lodge No. 427, Sudbury, April 3rd, 1912, Meeting regular.—W. Bro. J. G. Lowe, W.M., presided. The attendance was large. Nickel Lodge has a reputation for putting on excellent work, and the third degree exemplified was all that could be expected. This lodge is fortunate in retaining in active service nearly all of its Past Masters. The W.M. kindly showed me a schedule of work that had been done by the different Past Masters during the year, and from it I saw that each Past Master would have the opportunity of conferring each of the degrees in full in the course of the year. This plan has worked well here and deserves

consideration. W. Bro. Fowler is a most efficient Secretary.

Algoma Lodge No. 469, Sault Ste. Marie, April 22nd, 1912, Meeting emergent, W. Bro. A. W. Dunlop, W.M., in the chair.—A first degree was conferred in a manner that left nothing to be desired. The work of the J.D., Bro. Johnston, was the outstanding feature of an impressive degree.

Keystone Lodge No. 412, Sault Ste. Marie, April 24th, 1912, Meeting emergent.—W. Bro. J. C. Richardson ably officiated and with the assistance of his excellent staff of officers conferred the first degree in a manner that was a pleasure to all. A happy emulation exists between Algoma and Keystone, which results in a desire to excel. The brethren of the Soo intend to erect a building for Masonic purposes in the near future.

Dymont Lodge No. 442, Thessalon, April 25th, 1912, Meeting regular.—A good attendance greeted me at this meeting. The W.M., W. Bro. A. Shaw, occupied the chair. The work of the first degree was performed in a satisfactory manner. The books of the lodge are well kept and the prospects are bright.

Penewobikong Lodge No. 487, Blind River, April 26th, 1912, Meeting emergent.—W. Bro. T. A. Craig, with a staff of alert officers, put on the work of the first degree in a creditable manner. The brethren of this lodge are alive to the value of precision in the minor details of the work that make so much for the success of the degree. The books of the Secretary are in excellent shape. This lodge reports all dues paid.

Nipissing Lodge No. 420, North Bay, April 29th, 1912, Meeting emergent.—The W.M., W. Bro. F. Milne, in the East. Attendance large. A bright candidate was initiated in a very impressive ceremony with musical accompaniment. This lodge is in a most flourishing condition. The books are well kept.

Sturgeon Falls Lodge No. 447, May 13th, 1912, Meeting regular, W. Bro. A. D. McInnis, W.M.—The harmony of this lodge, which unfortunately was disturbed during the first half of the year, resulted in the resignation of the W.M. and the election of W. Bro.

McInnis to fill the unexpired term. Since then I am glad to state that harmony has been restored and the affairs of the lodge are now in a good condition. The second degree was creditably conferred. On June 24th I again visited this lodge for the purpose of installing the newly-elected officers. A very pleasing feature of the evening was the presentation of Past Masters' jewels to W. Bros. A. D. McInnis, E. D. Jessup, A. A. Beach and J. A. Nixon.

Doric Lodge No. 455, Little Current, June 4th, 1912, Meeting emergent.—Attendance good. In the absence of the W.M. the chair was occupied by W. Bro. Lillie. The work of the brethren in the second degree was well sustained. The influence of R.W. Bro. J. B. Wallace, who is Secretary of the lodge, is easily discernible. He deserves great credit for the help he has been to the lodges on the Manitoulin Island. The W. Master was laboring under a great strain, as I learned at the close of the lodge. Earlier in the evening he had received a telegram informing him of the death of his mother. He felt it his duty, however, to preside at the meeting for the sake of the brethren, though suffering great mental strain. The prospects of this lodge are bright.

Gore Bay Lodge No. 472, Gore Bay, June 5th, 1912, Meeting regular.—On this visit it was pleasant to see the spirit of fraternity existing between the two lodges on the island. The work of the evening was a second degree, which the W.M., W. Bro. Robinson, and his officers conferred in good form. The appointments are excellent, and great attention is given to the little details of the work. Bro. C. C. Platt, the Secretary, is a tower of strength to the lodge, and has magnanimously stepped aside a number of times to allow younger brethren to be advanced.

In conclusion, I can say with confidence that the beacon of Masonry is shining brightly in the North. Every lodge is alert and active. The work is performed with great uniformity throughout the district. The labours of R. W. Bro. Haynes last year to impress the new wording of parts of the work has been fruitful of good results, as is evidenced in the almost perfect observance of the form as given by him.

I wish to express the hope that the brethren have derived some benefit from my visits to the lodges, and yet I feel that I am still the debtor, as I have received more help than I was able to give.

Fraternally submitted,

A. W. SMITH, D.D.G.M.,
Nipissing District No. 18.

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.
Table Shewing the Work Done in Nipissing District No. 18, from June 24th, 1911, to June 24th, 1912.

No. of Lodge	Name of Lodge	Location	Total No. of all Mem.	Increase during year	Decrease during year	Mem-ber's'ip	E. A.	F. C.	M. M.	Affiliations	Restorations	Resignations	Suspensions, N. P. D.	Suspensions, other causes	Deceased	Meet's held	Aver. atten'ce of members	Amount paid for relief	No. mem. 12 mths in arre'rs	Total of all arrears	Date of last G. L. Return	Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W. M. work all degrees	Insurance		
405	Matlawa	Matlawa	118	13	12	15	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	14	145	20	00	103	00	Jan. 18	Good	Yes	400	
412	Keystone	Sault Ste. Marie	311	20	22	30	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	14	157	82	00	160	00	Jan. 13	Good	Yes	1800	
420	Nipissing	North Bay	221	19	15	12	11	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	13	23	25	00	17	300	00	Dec. 27	Good	Yes	1000
427	Nickel	Sudbury	189	15	15	13	14	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	13	26	92	00	175	75	Dec. 27	Good	Yes	1250	
442	Dymont	Thessalon	102	12	14	16	11	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	11	24	14	00	161	00	Dec. 27	Good	Yes	500	
447	Sturgeon Falls	Sturgeon Falls	79	10	7	7	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	11	16	10	00	132	10	Dec. 27	Good	Yes	400	
455	Doric	Little Current	84	4	3	3	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	10	13	1	00	23	00	Dec. 27	Good	Yes	1000	
462	Temiskaming	New Liskeard	156	17	19	25	14	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	12	26	30	00	196	00	Dec. 27	Good	Yes	2500	
469	Algoma	Sault Ste Marie	130	22	25	20	19	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	14	36	55	00	80	00	Dec. 27	Bright	Yes	200	
472	Gore Bay	Gore Bay	53	8	4	6	5	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	12	20	100	00	6	00	Dec. 27	Good	Yes	2700	
485	Halleybury	Halleybury	139	25	21	23	18	8	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	14	19	336	00	6	150	00	Dec. 27	Good	Yes	3000
486	Silver	Cobalt	153	23	14	20	25	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	11	16	50	00	17	219	00	Feb. 5	Bright	Yes	450
487	Peapewo-kong	Blind River	62	9	7	4	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	11	21	334	00	0	0	00	Dec. 26	Good	Yes	450

MUSKOKA DISTRICT No. 19.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario:

MOST WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BRETHREN:

I have sincere pleasure in submitting to you the following report on the condition of Masonry in this district during the past year.

To the brethren of the district I desire to express my appreciation of the honour conferred at their hands in electing me to the position of D.D.G.M., and to express my gratitude for the hearty evidences of kindness and assistance given by each lodge, and also to V.W. Bro. J. C. Davidson and W. Bro. H. DeLong of Golden Rule Lodge No. 409, whom I had the pleasure of appointing District Secretary and District Chaplain respectively.

The work is uniformly well done, the books systematically kept, and harmony is an outstanding feature.

One of the most satisfactory things I have to report is the fact that the quota from each lodge to the Semi-Centennial Fund has been paid in and the fund completed in this district.

DEATHS.

With sincere regret I have to report the following deaths during the year: Bro. Yuill, Muskoka Lodge No. 360, Bracebridge; Bro. L. Hammill, Golden Rule Lodge No. 409, Gravenhurst; Bro. John Whitesides, Unity Lodge No. 376, Huntsville; Bro. Thos. George, Granite Lodge No. 352, Parry Sound; Bro. George Paget, Unity Lodge No. 376, Huntsville; Bro. John Trusler, Unity Lodge No. 376, Huntsville.

OFFICIAL VISITS.

Powassan Lodge No. 443, Powassan.—Visited this lodge at the regular meeting on March 8th, 1912. W. Bro. Buchanan conferred the first and third degrees in a very creditable manner and was ably assisted by his officers and W. Bros. Oldfield and Porter. The members are enthusiastic and the lodge is in a prosperous condition. The books are well kept by Bro. D. C. Bingham.

Unity Lodge No. 376, Huntsville.—This lodge, which I had the pleasure of visiting at the regular meeting on March 13th, 1912, with W. Bro. White as W.M., is in splendid shape, as attested by the good work done, the W.M. having conferred a very creditable first degree. The attendance is good and the lodge is especially favored with a large number of Past Masters, including two P.D.D.G.Ms., R.W. Bro. Shearer and R.W. Bro. Fisher, who attend regularly. V.W. Bro. Grant, as Secretary, keeps the books in a very systematic manner, which certainly contributes to the success of the lodge. The appointments and furniture add to the comfort of the members.

Strong Lodge No. 423, Sundridge.—At the regular meeting on March 18th, 1912, I visited this lodge. Considering the fact that a large number of the members are non-residents, the attendance was good, and the work of opening and closing was well done by W. Bro. Elliott, who was assisted by W. Bro. Wickett, conferring a second degree.

Corona Lodge No. 454, Burk's Falls.—I visited this lodge at the regular meeting on April 1st, 1912. There being no degree work, the W.M., W. Bro. Wilson, opened and closed the lodge in the several degrees in an efficient manner. I had the pleasure of observing W. Bro. Wilson's work the following evening at Emsdale and found him well-skilled. I am glad to be able to report that Corona Lodge, after an uphill fight, is making splendid progress. The attendance is good, the lodge nicely furnished and the enthusiasm well-marked. R.W. Bro. Barber, P.D.D.G.M., added to the interest with a few well-chosen remarks. R.W. Bro. Harris, I.P.D.D.G.M., is Secretary, and, needless to say, assists materially in making the lodge a success by his systematic and painstaking methods of keeping the books.

Algonquin Lodge No. 434, Emsdale.—At the regular meeting on April 2nd, 1912, I had the pleasure of seeing the work of this lodge. The I.P.M., W. Bro. Milligan, conferred a second degree and R.W. Bro. Metcalfe a third degree in a splendid manner. The work of the officers was also good. This lodge deserves credit for their attendance and work, as a large ma-

jority of the members reside some distance from Emsdale. Since visiting Algonquin Lodge I regret to have to report that a very disastrous fire has completely destroyed the lodge building and contents. At the same time R.W. Bro. Metcalfe writes me that the members are not discouraged and hope to be in a new home before very long.

Golden Rule Lodge No. 409, Gravenhurst.—I had the pleasure of visiting this, my home lodge, on April 8th, 1912, at the regular meeting. The W.M., W. Bro. Stanley, conferred a second degree and W. Bro. Wasley, I.P.M., a third degree in a manner creditable to themselves and to their officers, whose good work contributes in no small measure to the success of the lodge. The appointments and furniture are worthy of special mention.

Muskoka Lodge No. 360, Bracebridge.—My official visit to this lodge was at the regular meeting on May 7th, 1912. There had not been much work to do during the year, but I was pleased to see W. Bro. Robertson and his officers initiate a good candidate in a very worthy manner. The attendance of Past Masters is good. The books are well kept by V.W. Bro. Warne. The lodge is comfortable and well equipped.

Granite Lodge No. 352, Parry Sound.—I had the pleasure of visiting this lodge at the regular meeting on May 15th, 1912. The lodge is in a prosperous condition, well furnished and well appointed. The W.M., W. Bro. Limbert, conferred first and second degrees in a painstaking manner. The members are enthusiastic and the attendance of Past Masters is especially good. The books are well kept by R.W. Bro. Knifton, and W. Bro. Molyneux, I.P.M., assists materially with his uniformly good work. V.W. Bro. Foote sets a good example in attendance, for, regardless of four-score years he attends regularly and assists with the work.

Fraternally submitted,

LOLLARD McLEAY, D.D.G.M..

Muskoka District No. 19.

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

Table Shewing the Work Done in Muskoka District No. 19, from June 24th, 1911, to June 24th, 1912.

No. of Lodge	Name of Lodge	Location	Total No. of all Mem.	Mem- bers'ip		Degr's Conf'd		Affiliations	Restorations	Resignations	Suspensions, N.P.D.	Suspensions, other causes	Deceased	Meet's held			Aver. atten'ce of members	Amount paid for relief	No. mem. 12 m'ths in arrears	Total of all arrears	Date of last G. L. Return	Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W. M. work all degrees	Insurance		
				Increase during year	Decrease during year	E. A.	F. C.							M. M.	Regular	Emergent										Total	
352	Granlie	Parry Sound	131	3	5	10	13	10	1	1	1	1	1	10	3	13	23	25	24	145	50	June 22, '11	1st class	Good	Yes	6200 00	
360	Muskoka	Bracebridge	83	4	1	2	1	6	1	1	1	1	1	10	2	12	18	25	00	25	77	67	Dec. 27, '11	Good	Yes	300 00	
376	Unity	Huntsville	108	5	5	4	7	5	1	1	2	1	1	3	11	8	19	21	20	00	14	134	00	Dec. 27, '11	Good	Yes	850 00
409	Golden Rule	Gravenhurst	90	4	1	6	5	5	1	1	1	4	1	1	13	1	13	22	29	50	7	56	35	Dec. 27, '11	Good	Yes	1000 00
423	Strong	Sundridge	70	12	5	1	4	3	1	1	1	1	1	11	11	20	11	10	00	11	167	45	Jan. 20, '12	Good	Yes	300 00	
434	Algonquin	Emisdale	88	5	1	5	4	3	1	1	1	1	1	11	11	18	18	.....	15	60	00	Dec. 27, '11	Good	No	None	00
443	Powassan	Powassan	79	6	10	9	8	2	1	4	1	1	1	13	13	15	17	.....	19	84	44	Dec. 31, '11	Good	Yes	400 00	
454	Corona	Burk's Falls	55	4	4	4	3	2	1	4	1	1	1	13	13	13	13	150	00	12	56	50	Dec. 27, '11	Dr. \$250	Fair	Yes	250 00

OTONABEE DISTRICT No. 20

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario:

MOST WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BRETHREN:

In presenting my report on Otonabee District No. 20 I desire to voice my appreciation of the honour done me, by the brethren of the district, in selecting me as the representative of the M.W., the Grand Master.

My duties have been most agreeable, I have found in my visitations nothing but the most cordial good fellowship, enthusiastic Craftsmen, and utmost fidelity to our honourable institution. The homes of the Craft in this district are almost, without exception, a credit to the members. The work is generally commendable and evinces a desire for betterment wherever possible. I held a Lodge of Instruction under the auspices of Ontario and Hope Lodge, Port Hope on April 16th, 1912. A very fair attendance resulted and the instruction was of much profit to all. The M.W., the Grand Master was present and I desire to express the appreciation of the district at his interest in the event and his timely words of counsel and advice. All the lodges in the district have paid their quota to the Semi-Centennial Fund.

A communication of Grand Lodge was held at Lakefield on May 22nd, 1912, when the ceremony of dedicating the new hall was performed. This enables me to report that all the lodges in the district have been dedicated.

Ontario Lodge No. 26, Port Hope.—The lodges of Port Hope are to be commended on the excellent taste displayed in furnishing their lodge room which was recently damaged by fire. In every respect the quarters are a credit to the Craft. On my visit to Ontario Lodge on Friday March 15th, 1912, W. Bro. Fortner and his officers conferred the first degree in an efficient manner and the affairs of the lodge appear to be in good hands and successful. R.W. Bro. Robertson, the Secretary of many years standing, is authority for finding the books and records in good order

Jerusalem Lodge No. 31, Bowanville.—On my visit to this lodge on November 29th, 1911, I was delighted with the excellent equipment enjoyed by the Craft. The lodge room is easily the best, in appointments, in the district. W. Bro. Kent, W.M., assisted by the V.W. Bro. Spry conferred the third degree and I have seldom, if ever, seen a better exemplification of the ceremony, every officer was perfect in his work, and proved the existence of a "Grind Night" in this lodge. There was a large gathering and the general atmosphere of Jerusalem Lodge is one of progressive excellence. Under the hand of W. Bro. Moorecroft, I found the books and records in good order.

Durham Lodge No. 66, Newcastle.—On the occasion of my visit to this lodge on February 27th, 1912, I found it in good healthy condition. The attendance was small, due to extreme cold and heavy roads, but a good representation of the membership was present. The sublime degree was conferred upon one candidate and the work called for favorable comment. A goodly number of Past Masters were present. Under the watchful eye of R.W. Bro. McLeod, P.D.D.G.M., the Craft will not retrograde in Newcastle. The finances were in good shape and the books in order.

Corinthian Lodge, Peterborough No. 101.—On my visit to this lodge on October 20th, 1911, W. Bro. Comstock, W.M., and his officers, conferred the sublime degree on two candidates, being assisted by several Past Masters.

This lodge enjoys a reputation for the efficiency of its work. A very large number of brethren were present. I found the books and records in good shape and the lodge generally in efficient hands.

Hope Lodge No. 114, Port Hope.—My official visit to this lodge on Good Friday evening, April 5th, 1912, was for me a very enjoyable occasion. A large attendance greeted me and I was accorded a hearty fraternal greeting. The work of the evening was the third degree and was exemplified by W. Bro. Spangler and his officers in a very creditable manner. The W.M. is supported by some efficient Past Masters and the general tone of the lodge is good. I was struck with the large average

attendance at the meetings as shown by the register. The books and accounts are in order.

J.B. Hall Lodge No. 145, Millbrook.—I visited this lodge at an emergent meeting on Friday March 29th, 1912. There was a good attendance and the work of the third degree exemplified. W. Bro. Campbell is an enthusiastic Mason and conferred the degree in its entirety. The officers are efficient and the lodge is well equipped. The hall is one of the best in the district, and a credit to the membership R.W. Bro. A. A. Smith, P.D.D.G.M. keeps a fatherly eye on the welfare of this lodge and I found the records and books in order.

Peterborough Lodge No. 155, Peterborough—I visited this, my mother lodge, on October 6th, 1911, when the fellowcraft degree was conferred on four candidates. W. Bro. Henry, W.M. and his officers performed the work in a very creditable manner. This lodge enjoys a very active Past Masters' list who are always willing to assist in the work of the lodge. Needless to say, that, under the hand of R. W. Bro. Walkey, Secretary, I found the lodge books and records in first class shape.

Norwood Lodge No. 223, Norwood.—Norwood Lodge No. 223 is a well equipped, well conducted lodge of about 90 members, has the support of an able body of enthusiastic Past Masters and is doing good work. On my visit on Monday April 1st, 1912, the second and third degrees were worked with marked ability. The lodge rooms are new and adequate and reflect the good taste of the fraternity at Norwood. The efficient Secretary, Bro. Thomson, has his books and accounts in good shape and the lodge is properous and well officered.

Clementi Lodge No. 313, Lakefield.—A splendid turnout of the brethren greeted me on my visit to Clementi Lodge on March 5th, 1912. The lodge has and array of efficient Past Masters who are enthusiastic Masons and always able and willing to assist in the work. This lodge now enjoys extremely comfortable quarters and is among the best in the district. On my visit W.B. Hilliard and officers conferred the first degree and the work was in every sense commendable. Under the veteran hand of V.W. Bro. A. E. Kennedy the books and data of the lodge are sure to be found in order.

Orono Lodge No. 325, Orono.—I visited this lodge at an emergent meeting on November 24th, 1911. While the membership of this lodge is affected by the transitory occupation of its members I found Orono Lodge to be in a very commendable condition. The first degree was exemplified by W. Bro. Rundle and the work was done in a manner deserving of high praise. The Past Masters seem to take an interest in their lodge and were present in goodly numbers. I spent an extremely pleasant evening and found the best of fellowship and good feeling existing. The books and records were in good order.

Keene Lodge No. 374, Keene.—Though one of the small lodges of the district, the membership of Keene Lodge comprises some very worthy brethren who have always taken a great interest in the work and the landmarks are safely guarded. Death and removals have made inroads into its membership which, however, remains about stationary. At my visit on May 30th, 1912 there was a fair attendance and the work of the officers showed commendable grasp of the requirements. The books and accounts were in good order.

Lorne Lodge No. 375, Omemee.—This lodge has made good progress, during the past two years, the membership has steadily increased and the material admitted seems to be well chosen. I visited Lorne Lodge at their May meeting. There was a fair attendance. The first degree was exemplified and the general tone of the work was good. The lodge seems to be well officered and their hall and equipment comfortable and adequate.

Havelock Lodge No. 435, Havelock.—I visited this lodge on February 2nd, 1912 and installed the officers. Prior to the installation the second degree was conferred by the retiring Master W. Bro. W. Matheson, a veteran at the work and one of the fathers of Masonry in Havelock. Subsequent to the installation the new officers conferred the first degree and from their work I judge a very efficient set of officers will be the result. During 1911 no less than 18 new members were initiated and my observations point to the fact that the portals are well guarded in this lodge and there seems to be no hesitation on the part of the officers and members to resort to a rigid discipline in cases of dereliction of duty or unbe-

coming conduct. The financial affairs are in healthy shape and I found an enthusiastic lodge full of good fellowship.

The condition of Masonry in the district is one of progress. The lodges generally are in good shape financially, a good class of candidates are being received, general harmony prevails and my duties have therefore been sources of pleasure to me

Fraternally submitted

JOHN CRANE, D.D. G.M.,
Otonabee District No. 20

GRAND LODGE OF CANADA

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

Table Shewing the Work Done in Otonabee District No. 20, from June 24th, 1911, to June 24th, 1912.

No. of Lodge	Name of Lodge	Location	Total No. of all Mem.	Increase during year	Mem- bers' ship	Degr's Conf'd		Affiliations	Restorations	Resignations	Suspensions, N.P.D.	Suspensions, other causes	Deceased	Regular	Blmrgent	Meet's held	Aver. atten'ce of members	Amount paid for relief	No. mem. 12 m'ths in ar'rs	Total of all arrearages	Date of last G. L. Return	Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W. M. work all degrees	Insurance
						E. A.	F. C.																			M. M.
26	Ontario	Port Hope	151	13	3	13	14	11	1	1	1	1	14	9	23	22	325	00	30	350	00	June 24, '12	Good	Yes	1200 00
31	Jerusalem	Bowmanville	121	9	7	6	5	3	1	1	1	1	13	15	27	200	00	2	7	75	Dec. 27, '11	Good	Yes	1400 00	
66	Durham	Newcastle	124	3	5	4	4	1	1	1	1	1	9	12	17	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Dec. 27, '11	Good	Yes	Covered
101	Corinthian	Peterboro	180	12	12	9	9	7	2	1	1	1	15	18	20	110	00	7	157	00	Dec. 27, '11	Good	Yes	Covered	
114	Hope	Port Hope	166	16	1	16	15	15	1	1	1	1	15	9	27	42	160	00	15	100	00	Dec. 27, '11	Good	Yes	1200 00
145	J. B. Hall	Millbrook	61	4	1	4	2	1	1	1	1	1	8	10	14	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Dec. 27, '11	Fair	Yes	Covered
155	Peterboro	Peterboro	246	3	5	10	13	2	2	1	1	1	13	18	37	72	00	13	80	00	Dec. 27, '11	Good	Yes	Covered	
223	Norwood	Norwood	95	3	7	6	7	1	1	1	1	4	13	17	20	4	00	11	41	50	Feb., 1912	Good	Yes	Covered
313	Clement	Laketfield	95	6	11	5	4	1	2	7	4	1	13	16	24	50	00	.....	.....	.....	Dec. 27, '11	Good	Yes	550 00
325	Oroono	Oroono	48	4	2	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	12	12	17	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Dec. 27, '11	Good	Yes	400 00
374	Keene	Keene	33	6	3	3	1	2	1	1	1	1	11	15	16	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	Dec. 27, '11	Fair	No	500 00
375	Lorne	Omence	50	5	7	5	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9	15	14	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	Dec. 27, '11	Good	Yes	400 00
435	Havelock	Havelock	127	13	15	10	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	14	30	5	00	12	150	00	Dec. 27, '11	Good	Yes	200 00

EASTERN DISTRICT No. 21.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario:

MOST WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BRETHREN :

I have the honour to submit this my official report on the condition of Masonry in Eastern District No. 21.

I wish first of all to express my sincere thanks to the brethren of this district for the honour they did me in electing me to the honourable and responsible position of D.D.G.M., and for the kind, courteous and true Masonic treatment accorded me on every occasion during my term of office. I have endeavoured throughout the year to deserve the confidence so generously placed in me by discharging my duties to the best of my ability, and if I have made any mistakes, it has not been in any way through a lack of the very best intentions.

I want here to place on record the debt of gratitude I owe to my predecessor in office, R.W. Bro. Jones, for the many acts of kindness he has shown to me, and for the valued assistance he has so willingly given me during the year.

I have visited every lodge in the district at least once, and am pleased to be able to report that the lodges generally are in a good condition, showing an increase in numbers and in interest for the work. I have endeavoured to impress on the brethren the dignity, influence and importance of the Craft, and have strongly urged them to study its principles and to apply them to their daily life and business.

Twice during the year I mailed a circular letter to each lodge in the district that still owed a balance to the Semi-Centennial Benevolent Fund, calling attention to the urgent need that these balances should be liquidated, and I am very glad that I am able to say that in most cases something was done, and in many cases the whole balance was paid. I had hoped that this district would be able to show a clear sheet in this respect at the end of this Masonic year. Unfortunately this hope has not been realized, but good progress has been made, and it requires only a little further effort

on the part of the officers and brethren to finally discharge the balance now standing against this district. Most of the lodges in this district are in a good financial condition and could well afford to pay their quota to this fund, and, as I have told the delinquent lodges, when making my visits, it is a standing disgrace to the district that it should be, at this late date, so far in arrears.

I have found the books of the several lodges well kept, some of them being models of neatness, the funds well protected and properly deposited.

The lodges of the district are to be congratulated in having such an efficient lot of Secretaries. The only cause of complaint that I have had is a laxity in reporting deaths and suspensions to the D.D.G.M.

OFFICIAL VISITS.

My first official visit was to Lancaster Lodge No. 207, Lancaster, W. Bro. McRae, W.M., on December 13th, 1911, the occasion being an emergent meeting to pass one and raise two. I saw the second and third degrees worked by the regular officers in a manner that left very little to be desired. I must say that I was very much impressed with the appearance of the lodge room and with the interest and enthusiasm that appear to prevail among the members. I gathered the impression that they look upon their lodge room, which they own and which is fitted up in a tasty, comfortable way, as a veritable home. The members are justly proud of it and interested in keeping it up to a high standard. They are talking of making further improvements, which, if effected, will make it an ideal Masonic home. The members deservedly give W. Bro. R. T. Nicholson much credit for the work that he has done in the interest of the lodge in decorating it and providing furnishings made by himself and presented free of charge. This lodge is to be congratulated in having two such members as R.W. Bro. Cobb and W. Bro. Nicholson, whose enthusiasm for Masonry has done a great deal towards building up this lodge, and their good works will live after them. Masonry is an influence for good in the Lancaster district.

Avonmore Lodge No. 452, Avonmore.—Early in December the W.M. of this lodge was removed to

another town, and, in the absence of Past Masters, I was asked to make my official visit on the 27th of December, 1912, and at the same time install the officers for the ensuing year. This I did. I was accompanied by W. Bro. Morrison of Chesterville Lodge, who afforded me considerable assistance in the ceremony. This lodge has suffered a severe loss on account of the removal of W. Bro. Reaburn, under whom it made phenomenal progress. It is a young lodge with very few resident Past Masters, which is a serious drawback. The present place of meeting is in a room which is totally unfit for the purpose, and I do not think the Order will prosper as it should in a place like Avonmore until a better hall is procured. Masonry is a fraternal society, and the meetings ought to be enjoyable. This cannot be the case if the surroundings are not pleasant and comfortable. Their financial position is not all that could be desired. Still, in the face of this fact they have, this year, paid all the balance of what was allotted to them on account of the S.-C.B. Fund. They deserve more credit for this than if they were better situated financially. They have an excellent Secretary, and the books are well kept.

St. John's Lodge No. 21a, Vankleek Hill.—I visited this lodge on the night of their regular meeting on the evening of March 26th, 1912, when Bro. Magnus McLeod was raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason. This was a somewhat peculiar case, Bro. McLeod having been initiated in this lodge ten years ago and passed to the second degree by a lodge in Montreal. He had evidently been prepared for his raising by a Montreal brother, as in his examination he gave the wording as used in the province of Quebec. The regular officers were in the chairs, and the work was exemplified as I expected it would be in a lodge of the high standing and reputation of St. John's No. 21a. This is the oldest lodge in the district and lays claim to be among the oldest in the province. Their minutes are intact back to the year 1844, and there is ample evidence to justify their claim that Masonry was practiced in this place a great many years before that date. It was the last lodge in Ontario to work under a charter of a foreign Grand Lodge, its former title being St. John's Lodge No. 159 I.R. They are justly

proud of their ancient as well as their modern history, and they have several relics of considerable age. Much of their furniture has been in use for many years and is highly valued by them on account of its antiquity and of the Masonic history attached to it. There were several visitors in attendance from Lancaster, Alexandria and Hawkesbury lodges. We had a very pleasant and, I hope, a profitable meeting, and I left the lodge impressed with the enthusiasm of the members and the future prospects of the lodge.

I paid my regular visit to Farran's Point Lodge No. 256, Aultsville, March 27th, 1912. I was looking forward with a good deal of pleasure to this visit, and my expectations were fully realized. There was a splendid attendance, though many of the members live some distance from the lodge room and have to drive. The number of members attending on this occasion was very gratifying. I understand they usually have a good turnout, and I attribute this partly to the fact that the older members attend and take a deep interest in the work.

There was no work on for the occasion, but the lodge was opened and closed in the three degrees by the regular officers in a way that was extremely satisfactory to me. I was relieved from the necessity of criticizing and had the pleasure of commending, particularly the work of the deacons and the other junior officers. I think I never saw the work of the deacons done in a better manner. They meet in a large, clean, bright room, in a building owned and occupied entirely by themselves and other fraternal societies. I think in small villages, such as most of the lodges in this district are located in, that, if their financial condition at all warrants the attempt, it is well for the lodges to endeavour to own meeting places. Pride in the room and an endeavour to make it both home-like and beautiful are engendered. Many little things can and will be done, at very little cost, much of it gratuitously, to improve and beautify the property. Many points in connection with the work were discussed, with, I believe, profit to all of us.

Williamsburg Lodge No. 480, Williamsburg.—Accompanied by the Master and several brethren of Chesterville Lodge, the Master of Huntington Lodge,

Quebec, and the R.W. the Grand Chaplain, I visited this prosperous and enthusiastic lodge on the regular night of their meeting, March 28th, 1912. This is comparatively a young lodge, an offshoot of Excelsior Lodge No. 142, but they have already reached a size and a state of efficiency that entitle them to rank among the best in the district. They started their lodge with enthusiasm and a love of the Craft as their capital; they borrowed the money for their regalia, furniture, etc. They are now, after about six years of Masonic life, very nearly out of debt, their lodge room is well and tastefully furnished and, what is best of all, their original capital of enthusiasm and love of the Craft is not only unimpaired, but has been considerably added to. I found all the affairs in connection with the lodge in first-class condition. The work, which consisted only of opening and closing in the three degrees, was well done, the officers showing a pride in their work and an effort to have it perfect. The financial and other conditions of the lodge are satisfactory. The territory from which they have to draw their material is small, which will prevent them from ever becoming very large in numbers, but notwithstanding this they are exercising due care in the quality of the material they are admitting.

Excelsior Lodge No. 142, Morrisburg.—This lodge I visited on the evening of March 29th, 1912, the night of their regular meeting. Owing to the train being late, I did not reach the lodge room until after the hour for meeting, and found the lodge regularly opened. I regretted being late, as on my visits I have been urging the necessity of regularity and punctuality in attendance. The attendance was good and, as was to be expected of a lodge of the reputation and age of Excelsior, the work was well done. They have a well-appointed lodge room and particularly a well-appointed and furnished kitchen, having all the requirements for the setting of an excellent repast prepared by some of themselves. The appointments were much beyond those usually found in the possession of lodges.

Masonry has a strong hold in Morrisburg; there are a large number of very enthusiastic Masons, and under their guidance the Craft is making rapid progress. I think that here is an instance where the higher

order of Masonry has infused new life into the Blue Lodge. The lodge has been very careful as to the quality of the material they have admitted, and this caution is very evident, even to a casual visitor.

Wales Lodge No. 458, Wales.—The regular April meeting of this lodge fell on April 1st, 1912, and on the evening of that day I made my official visit. W. Bro. Manning exemplified the third degree in a creditable manner. The general work of the officers gave plenty of evidence that they are under a constant supervision of the Past Masters, consequently their work was intelligent and business-like. I felt that there was an air of enthusiasm and earnestness for the work on the part of both officers and members. This condition of affairs must have its influence on the future welfare of the lodge. The lodge is doing excellent work and has a very bright future.

Alexandria Lodge No. 439, Alexandria.—I visited this lodge on their regular meeting night, April 2, 1912. I was looking forward to this meeting, anticipating a very pleasant time, having met several of the brethren at Vankleek Hill at the meeting of St. John's Lodge No. 21a. This lodge has a valuable asset in having a number of very enthusiastic members, who make the welfare of the lodge a personal matter, consequently Masonry is a very progressive and popular institution in Alexandria. With a continuance of the same harmony and the united efforts of the brethren in the future, I can easily see that Alexandria Lodge will soon rank among the best and strongest lodges in the district. I am pleased to state that this lodge, this year, paid its full quota to the Semi-Centennial Benevolent Fund. There is a feature of Masonry, in the eastern part of this district, that I wish to commend, and that is, the members appear to realize that their duties to the Order are not confined alone to their immediate lodge. The duty they owe to their neighbours in visiting them frequently appears to be fairly well discharged.

Cornwall Lodge No. 125, Cornwall.—On April 3rd, 1912, I attended, officially, the regular meeting of this lodge, which, beyond a doubt, ranks as the banner lodge of the district. They have a number of old

members, and time and age have not dimmed or lessened their enthusiasm for Masonry, but rather increased it. The lodge is strong, financially, owing to the business-like methods that prevail. Members are required to pay their dues promptly, no arrearages of dues being tolerated. The lodge and ante-rooms are large, cheerful and well-furnished. The Master and officers know their work and have the support of a number of Past Masters, who have kept in close touch with the lodge and its work. The attendance was good, though, while in session a fire, that looked as if it might be serious, broke out in the town and somewhat disorganized the work of the evening. Masonry has a strong foothold in Cornwall and its influence is felt, and I believe will be very much increased.

Cardinal Lodge No. 491, Cardinal.—This is the youngest lodge in the district. I visited it on the evening of Friday, April 12th, 1912, the night of their regular meeting, accompanied by the Master of Excelsior Lodge, W. Bro. Marsh, and R.W. Bro. Boyd. The regular officers were in the chairs and initiated a candidate in a very creditable manner. The brethren suffer from the lack of Past Masters, but this will right itself in time. They have a very nice lodge room, and it is kept clean and bright. The officers and brethren are enthusiastic Masons, and I predict a bright future for this young lodge.

Chesterville Lodge No. 320, Chesterville.—I visited this, my mother lodge, on the evening of Monday, April 8th, 1912, the occasion being an emergent meeting called for the purpose of presenting R.W. Bro. Woods, Grand Chaplain, with the regalia pertaining to his office. This lodge is very proud of the honour of having one of its members elected to that high position, and in recognition of that honour and as a mark of their love and respect for the R.W. brother, the lodge presented to him a full dress Grand Lodge regalia. The function will long be remembered by all who attended. The R.W. brother was entirely taken by surprise, and, although almost overcome by emotion, expressed his thanks to the brethren and his love and loyalty to the Craft in a well-worded speech. This lodge suffered a severe loss three years ago, their lodge room and furniture, which was new, being completely destroyed by

fire. They have since provided beautiful furniture, but the lodge room is not suitable, and a scheme is now under way to build for themselves an abiding place that they can beautify and take a pride in. This lodge is in a flourishing condition, the Master and officers know their work, they are loyally supported by the Past Masters, the brethren take a deep interest in the Craft, the attendance is good, great care is exercised in admitting new members, and the dues are promptly paid.

Henderson Lodge No. 383, Winchester.—I visited, officially, Henderson Lodge on the night of their regular meeting, April 26th, 1912. The brethren of that lodge gave us a right royal reception. The ordinary work of the meeting was discharged and in addition we saw a candidate initiated. The style of the work was exceptional. There was a large attendance, notwithstanding the fact that the weather and condition of the roads were both unfavourable. I consider this lodge ranks with the best in the district, with bright prospects for future growth. They have a bright, well-furnished lodge room. The lodge is managed on business principles and shows the results of such management. They are still, like many lodges in this district, behind in their contribution to the S.-C.B. Fund, but are making an effort, on business lines, to have it wiped off this year, and I think they will accomplish it.

Plantagenet Lodge No. 186, Plantagenet.—I paid my official visit to this lodge April 29th, 1912, the night of their regular meeting. Plantagenet Lodge numbers among the old lodges of the district, but has suffered considerably by the brethren moving away from the home town. The exodus has reached such proportions that very few of the present members of the lodge live in Plantagenet village, and there does not appear to be good material from which to recruit the lodge. There is a movement on foot to move the lodge to Riceville, where the brethren propose to build and own a suitable place of meeting. The Master and officers exemplified the work of the first and third degrees in a very creditable manner, the effect of the work being somewhat marred by the cramped quarters. It is to be regretted that the brethren find it necessary to move the lodge

from its present place of meeting, as the associations and traditions of Masonry connected with the old lodge room are very dear to the few members who still remain in Plantagenet.

Hawkesbury Lodge No. 450, Hawkesbury.—I spent a very pleasant evening with the brethren of this lodge when I visited them officially on April 30th, 1912. This was an emergent meeting called for the purpose of receiving me, and was the only case that I made such a request. I have to thank the brethren for their courtesy to me in acceding to my wishes. W. Bro. Kirby, the Master, was in the chair, and the regular officers were in their several positions. The third degree was given to an appreciative candidate in a manner that I could find no fault with. This is comparatively a young lodge, though No. 159 I.R., now known as St. John's Lodge No. 21a, Vankleek Hill, at one time held its meetings at this place. I predict a brilliant future for this lodge if the present enthusiasm for things Masonic is maintained, and I can see no reason why this should not be so. The officers are efficient, regular in attendance and enthusiastic, the lodge room and furniture are comfortable and home-like, the books are beautifully kept and the financial condition is satisfactory. This lodge has this year completed its share to the S.-C.B. Fund.

Friendly Brethren Lodge No. 143, Iroquois.—My official visit was made to this lodge on May 1st, 1912, the regular meeting. The Master was away, having gone on a business trip to the Northwest. This being the case, W. Bro. Harkness, the I.P.M., took the chair in the East. W. Bro. Harkness served as Master of this lodge for two terms, and perhaps it would not be out of place for me to say here that I admired his crisp, business-like way of ruling the lodge. No time was wasted, and the business of the evening was given due consideration, but there was no dawdling. I have noticed on my visits that a lot of the time of the brethren is wasted through the slowness and hesitancy of some of the officers. This means that if there is much work to be done the brethren are kept in lodge to a late hour, a thing that should be avoided as a rule. Promptness on the part of the Master in closing the

several orders of business, and a knowledge on his part of all the business that is to be dealt with at the meeting, would materially shorten the business hours of the meetings and allow more time for social intercourse, and at the same time the lodges could be closed at a reasonable hour. This lodge is in a satisfactory condition financially, has paid its full quota on account of the S.-C.B. Fund, has a creditable lodge room, well and tastefully furnished, but lacks one essential of a successful lodge, namely, good attendance. The night on which I paid my visit was a beautiful one, the roads were in good condition, and yet there was a very poor attendance, notwithstanding the fact that several of the brethren were in town during the evening. There are many reasons why this lodge should be very successful. It is situated in a splendid district, containing excellent material, the lodge is an old one with historical associations, the officers have their work up well, they have a splendid Secretary, and if the brethren were more enthusiastic and attended regularly, this might rank as one of the best lodges in the district.

Maxville Lodge No. 418, Maxville.—I made my last official visit to this lodge on May 10th, 1912, their regular meeting. I enjoyed this visit very much. The attendance was large and the interest throughout a long session well maintained. They have a splendid lodge room, beautifully equipped, and the brethren take an interest in the work, so there is no reason why, in my opinion, the lodge should not be in a much better position, numerically and financially, than it is. They have done a lot of work this year and are still considerably behind with it, though two-thirds were cleared off on the night of my visit. The fact that they have so much work ahead of them is an indication that they are progressing in numbers, and they give every evidence of observing due care in the selection of the members they admit. I think this lodge has a splendid future.

In concluding my report, I must express the hope that during my year of service to the district in the capacity of D.D.G.M. I have in no way disturbed the harmony that I found prevailing when I took office; rather that harmony and brotherly love have been intensified. This has been my constant aim, and if the

progress that Masonry has made in the district during the year has been in the direction of that broadmindedness and tolerance towards the foibles and failings of those within and without the sound of the gavel, so needful in a country such as ours, I am more than repaid for the time and anxious thought the duties of my office have given me.

Fraternally submitted,

O. D. CASSELMAN, D.D.G.M.,
Eastern District No. 21.

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA, IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.
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No. of Lodge	Name of Lodge	Location	Mem- bership		Degr's Conf'd		Affiliations	Restorations	Resignations	Suspensions, N.P.D.	Suspensions, other causes	Deceased	Meet's held		Aver. atten'ce of members	Amount paid for relief	No. mem. 12 m'ths in ar'rs	Total of all arrears	Date of last G. L. Return	Financial standing	Prospects of Lodge	Can W. M. work all degrees	Insurance
			Total No. of all Mem.	Increase during year	Decrease during year	E. A.	F. C.	M. M.					Regular	Emergency									
143	Friend. Bros.	Iroquois	96	4	13	3	3	3	1	1	1	1	13	2	1510	.....	15	\$47 00	Jan. 2, '12	Fair	V'good	Yes	350 00
450	Hawkesbury	Hawkesbury	54	13	5	13	13	13	1	1	1	1	12	2	1517	.....	10	50 00	Jan., 1912	Good	Good	Yes	250 00
480	Williamson's	Williamson	33	12	1	12	12	12	1	1	1	1	14	1	1520	10 00	10	.....	Jan. 13, '12	Good	Good	Yes	300 00
491	Cardinal	Cardinal	47	4	1	12	12	12	1	1	1	1	12	1	1316	.....	12	8 00	Dec. 27, '11	Good	V'good	Yes	200 00
186	Plantagenet	Plantagenet	60	8	1	12	12	12	1	1	1	1	12	1	1412	.....	10	17 00	Dec. 27, '11	Good	Good	Yes	500 00
452	Avonmore	Avonmore	60	14	11	12	12	12	3	5	1	1	12	1	1723	.....	7	40 00	Dec. 28, '11	Good	Good	Yes	700 00
320	Chesterville	Chesterville	86	1	1	12	12	12	4	1	1	1	12	1	1718	.....	1	50 00	Jan. 4, '12	Sp'nd	Good	Yes	1300 00
256	Farran's Pt.	Chesterville	83	1	1	12	12	12	1	1	1	1	12	1	1415	15 00	5	50 00	Dec. 27, '11	Good	Good	Yes	700 00
214	St. John's	Yankteek Hill	75	4	1	12	12	12	1	1	1	1	12	1	1318	75 00	5	30 00	June, 1911	Satisf'y	Fair	Yes	600 00
125	Corunna	Corunna	120	6	1	12	12	12	1	1	1	1	12	1	1542	40 00	3	9 00	Dec. 27, '11	Good	Good	Yes	900 00
323	Henderson	Winchester	102	3	1	12	12	12	1	1	1	1	12	1	1316	25 00	10	89 00	Dec. 27, '11	Cr. \$879	Good	Yes	500 00
207	Lancaster	Lancaster	106	9	5	12	12	12	1	1	1	1	11	1	1415	15 00	25	271 00	Dec. 1911	Fair	Fair	Yes	1350 00
439	Alexandria	Alexandria	70	2	7	12	12	12	1	1	1	1	12	1	1517	.....	17	1220 00	Dec. 27, '11	Fair	Fair	Yes	400 00
142	Excelsior	Morrisburg	60	3	1	12	12	12	1	1	1	1	12	1	1517	15 00	3	14 17	Dec. 27, '11	Good	Good	Yes	250 00
418	Maxville	Maxville	80	3	1	12	12	12	1	1	1	1	12	1	1513	.....	35	200 00	Jan. 5, '12	Good	Good	Yes	600 00
458	Wales	Wales	11	13	11	13	13	13	1	1	1	1	11	1	2019	25 00	9	26 00	Jan. 5, '12	Good	Good	Yes	600 00

M.W. Bro. His Honor Sir J. M. Gibson read a communication, of which the following is an extract, from His Royal Highness, M.W. Bro. Arthur, Duke of Connaught and Strathearn, &c., &c., Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England, and Honorary Past Grand Master of this Grand Lodge

“Montreal, July 1, 1912.

“My Dear Sir John:

“I thank you for your kind letter informing me of the meeting of the Grand Lodge of Canada, in Toronto, on the 17th of this month. May I ask you to kindly be my mouthpiece on that occasion, by expressing to the brethren my warmest fraternal greetings to the Craft in Canada, in the name of the Grand Master of England and of all Freemasons in England, and wishing them prosperity and that the Craft in Canada may ever flourish. I hope you will have a very large and successful meeting, and I need hardly assure you of my deep interest in all that concerns the welfare of the Craft in the Dominion.
“ARTHUR.”

REPORT OF THE BOARD ON WARRANTS.

R.W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, Deputy Grand Master, on behalf of the Board of General Purposes, presented the following report, which was read by R.W. Bro. A. J. Young, Chairman of the Committee on Warrants:

REPORT.

The Board of General Purposes, through the Committee on Warrants, beg leave to report as follows:

We have examined the minute books and records of all the lodges now under dispensation, and recommend that warrants be granted as follows:

Port Arthur Lodge, Port Arthur, No. 499.

Rose Lodge, Windsor, No. 500.

Connaught Lodge, Mimico, No. 501.

Coronation Lodge, Smithville, No. 502.

We recommend that the dispensations granted to the following lodges be continued for another year:

Inwood Lodge, Inwood.—This lodge was instituted and held its first meeting on the 17th of May, 1912.

Otter Lodge, Lombardy.—This lodge was instituted and held its first meeting in June, 1912.

Lynden Lodge, Lynden.—No work has yet been done by this lodge.

Porcupine Lodge, Porcupine.—This lodge has not yet been instituted.

With reference to the petition of Plantagenet Lodge No. 186 for permission to remove their lodge from Plantagenet to Riceville, we recommend that the prayer of this petition be

granted, subject to the action of the lodge on a notice of motion, "that the action of the lodge in requesting the change of location be reconsidered," which notice of motion comes up at the next regular lodge meeting on July 22nd, 1912.

With reference to the question of jurisdiction raised by Maxville Lodge No. 418, should the location of Plantagenet Lodge be changed to Riceville, we desire to report that we consider the Constitution should be followed in this as in other cases.

Fraternally submitted,

A. J. YOUNG,
Chairman.

It was moved by R.W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, seconded by R.W. Bro. A. J. Young, and

Resolved, That the report of the Board on Warrants be received and adopted.

CALLED OFF.

At 12.20 o'clock p.m. Grand Lodge was called from labour to refreshment, to meet again at 2.00 o'clock p.m.

CALLED ON.

The Grand Lodge resumed labour at 2.30 o'clock p.m.

M.W. Bro. Aubrey White, Grand Master, on the throne, grand officers, members and representatives.

REPORT OF THE BOARD ON AUDIT AND FINANCE.

R.W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, Deputy Grand Master, on behalf of the Board of General Purposes, presented the following report, which was read by R.W. Bro. Geo. S. May, Chairman of the Committee on Audit and Finance:

REPORT.

The Board of General Purposes, through the Committee on Audit and Finance, have pleasure in reporting that they have found in their annual audit that the books of the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary are characterized by neatness and accuracy.

All funds received by the Grand Secretary have been deposited in the Canadian Bank of Commerce, and proper vouchers have been produced by the Grand Treasurer for payments made.

The Grand Secretary's report gives a complete and comprehensive statement of the monetary affairs of Grand Lodge, as well as all matters appertaining to the duties of his important office.

The systematic condition of his books has made the work of your Committee pleasurable and comparatively light.

General Account.

Total receipts to May 31st, 1912 (including debentures matured \$4,015.34)	\$47,160 06
Total expenditures as follows:	
General purposes	\$17,639 99
Benevolent grants	27,322 50
Grant to Northern Ontario fire sufferers	1,000 00
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	\$45,962 40
Debentures purchased	4,710 59
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	50,672 99
Expenditure exceeding receipts.....	\$ 3,512 93

The funds of Grand Lodge, amounting to \$109,254.69, are invested in debentures, as per list in the report of the Grand Treasurer.

The balance on May 31st, 1912, in the Canadian Bank of Commerce was \$592.94. Total assets, \$109,847.63—a decrease from last year of \$3,018.78.

We have had placed before us for inspection the bond of the Grand Secretary in the United States Fidelity & Guarantee Co., for the sum of \$5,000. The same is in the keeping of the Grand Treasurer. We recommend that the Grand Master renew the said bond on its maturity, the premium to be paid by Grand Lodge.

Semi-Centennial Fund.

We have pleasure in reporting that the Semi-Centennial Fund investments and cash on hand, on May 31st, 1912, amounted to \$96,872.81, an increase from last year of \$6,545.31. We earnestly hope that the lodges that have not contributed their full quota to this fund will take the necessary steps during the coming year to complete their contributions.

It would be a matter of great gratification for your Committee to be able to report at our next Annual Communication that the desired amount of \$100,000 had been secured.

ESTIMATES OF RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING MAY 31, 1913.

Fees—Registration of initiations.....	\$10,000 00
Fees—Registration of affiliations.....	300 00
Dues	24,000 00
Certificates	150 00
Constitutions and Ceremonies.....	1,000 00
Dispensations	500 00
Commutation of dues.....	1,400 00
Warrants	40 00
Miscellaneous	700 00

Ballot boxes	300 00
Interest on investments.....	5,200 00
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	\$43,590 00
Interest on Semi-Centennial Fund.....	4,410 00
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	<u>\$48,000 00</u>

ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURES.

Salary of Grand Treasurer.....	\$ 200 00
Salary of Grand Secretary.....	3,000 00
Salary of Auditor.....	300 00
Salary of Chief Clerk.....	1,000 00
Salary of Stenographer.....	720 00
Salary of Clerk.....	560 00
Superannuation allowance of former Chief Clerk....	800 00
Printing and stationery.....	1,800 00
Incidental expenses Grand Secretary's office.....	800 00
Certificates and Warrants.....	1,100 00
Office rent	415 00
Office fuel	100 00
Expenses of Grand Lodge and Board of General Purposes at Toronto.....	1,500 00
Expenses of Commissions and delegates.....	150 00
Inspection of Benevolent Grants.....	1,000 00
Postage of D.G.M. and Chairmen of Committees....	45 00
Travelling expenses of G.M.....	1,000 00
Stenographer for G.M.....	100 00
Stenographer for D.G.M.....	25 00
Rent of telephone.....	57 00
Insurance on furniture and regalia.....	90 00
Rent of safety deposit box.....	45 00
Masonic Relief Association.....	250 00
Miscellaneous	200 00
Chairman of Foreign Correspondence.....	250 00
Grants for Benevolence.....	28,000 00
Postage on Proceedings.....	200 00
Ballot boxes	200 00
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Total expenditure on General Account.....	\$43,907 00
Grants from Semi-Centennial Fund.....	4,500 00
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	<u>\$48,407 00</u>

Your Committee have considered the communication from the Grand Lodge of the Netherlands regarding a contribution towards the Peace Palace, and recommend that no action be taken.

We have also considered the application from Bro. Frank J. Brown, a member of the staff of the Secretary's office, and recommend that his engagement from and after the 1st day of July, 1912, be on a monthly basis, at a remuneration of \$55 a month.

• Your Committee having considered the request of Somer-

ville Lodge No. 451, Kinmount, for financial assistance, cannot recommend the same.

Fraternally submitted,

GEO. S. MAY,
Chairman.

It was moved by R.W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, seconded by R.W. Bro. Geo. S. May, and

Resolved, That the report of the Board on Audit and Finance be received.

REPORT OF THE BOARD ON BENEVOLENCE.

R.W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, Deputy Grand Master, on behalf of the Board of General Purposes, presented the following report, which was read by M.W. Bro. J. E. Harding, Chairman of the Committee on Benevolence:

REPORT.

The Board of General Purposes, through the Committee on Benevolence, beg leave to report as follows:

During the year that has elapsed since the last Annual Communication of Grand Lodge the Chairman of the Committee on Benevolence has, with the approval of the M.W. the Grand Master and the President of the Board of General Purposes, made interim grants to applicants amounting to the sum of \$1,640, the sum of \$1,540 from the General Fund, and \$100 from the surplus interest of the Semi-Centennial Fund. The ability to relieve cases of distress as they occur is of great benefit to those suffering from misfortune.

Sixty-nine additional grants have been made from the interest on the investment of the Semi-Centennial Fund, amounting to the sum of \$4,080.

The Board are gratified to be able to report that on the 31st day of May, 1911, this fund amounted to \$90,327.50, and on the 31st day of May, 1912, amounted to the sum of \$96,872.81, an increase during the year of \$6,545.31, and since the last mentioned date subscriptions have come in that now bring the amount to over \$98,000, leaving a balance of \$2,000 to complete the fund.

We again express the hope that the lodges still in arrears with their contributions will see that they are collected and forwarded to the Grand Secretary without delay, in order that this fund may be brought to \$100,000. Many lodges have exceeded their quota, one lodge contributing nearly double and another over three times their quota.

The Board are gratified to find that the applications for relief have generally been forwarded to the Grand Secretary in proper time, but regret that they are again compelled to report that a number of lodges still neglect this important duty. The Board desires to again impress upon the lodges that the grants

from Grand Lodge are intended to be supplemental to the grants from the lodges, and regret that so many lodges neglect to assist the applicants dependent upon them.

The Board recommends that the subscription to the Masonic Relief Association of the United States and Canada be continued.

Four hundred and twenty-eight applications were received and disposed of as follows:

216 grants through lodges, amounting to.....	\$16,230 00
202 grants through local Boards, amounting to.....	14,620 00

Eight applications have been refused and two left in the hands of the Chairman.

SPECIAL GRANTS AUTHORIZED BY GRAND LODGE.

Mrs. T. D. Harington.....	\$ 300 00
Miss Mary Wilson.....	300 00
Miss M. H. Harris.....	75 00
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Total amount of grants made from General

Fund, amounting to.....	\$30,850 00
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Interim grants from General Fund since

last Annual Communication.....	1,540 00
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Interim grants from interest of S.-C.B. Fund	100 00
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32,490 00

Grants recommended from interest of S.-C.B. Fund at

this Communication	4,080 00
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\$37,245 00

The grants made by lodges during the year, as shown by the reports of the D.D.G.Ms., amount to the sum of about \$18,000.00.

In accordance with the provisions of Rule 7 on Benevolence, cheques for grants made through the following lodges will be withheld until proper returns have been received from these lodges as to the disposal of last year's grants: Nos. 10, 87, 98, 128, 153, 162, 184, 255, 261, 295, 312, 331, 358, 391 and 454.

No lodge in the jurisdiction should neglect its plain duty to make proper returns of the disposal made of grants through the respective lodges by Grand Lodge. There are nine lodges in the list that were guilty of the same neglect last year.

There were eight grants made through local boards, subject to proper application being sent in, and seventy through lodges under similar conditions. This is a decrease of one through local boards and an increase of twenty-four through lodges over last year.

The Board again recommend that the report of the Committee on Benevolence be read in each lodge at a stated meeting, and that the D.D.G.Ms. be instructed to see that this recommendation be carried out, so that the brethren may be informed of the good being accomplished by Grand Lodge.

The Board again recommends that where there are two lodges in a town or city a local Board of Relief be formed.

It is to be regretted that so many lodges have lost sight of the fact that the benevolence of Grand Lodge is intended to supplement the grants from private lodges and send in applications for relief without having granted any relief from their funds to the applicant, and that so many of the applications are so lacking in information as to render it difficult for the Committee to deal intelligently with them, and would suggest that in cases where the brethren have contributed to the support of the applicant the amount so contributed should be stated in the application.

The Board feels that in future, unless the lodges contribute according to their means towards the relief of their own applicants, grants should not be made.

The Board regrets to find in many cases that the sons and daughters of applicants who are apparently able to contribute to the support of their parents refuse to do so, and leave them to be supported by the benevolence of the brethren.

The Board further recommends that a condensed report of the Inspector be added as an appendix to this report.

Fraternally submitted,

JOHN E. HARDING,

Chairman.

It was moved by R.W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, seconded by M.W. Bro. J. E. Harding, and

Resolved, That the report of the Board on Benevolence be received.

APPENDIX TO REPORT ON BENEVOLENCE.

M.W. Bro. Aubrey White, Grand Master:

DEAR SIR AND MOST WORSHIPFUL BROTHER:

I herewith present my report as Inspector of Benevolent Grants for 1911.

There were 394 applications considered by the Committee—189 from local boards and 205 from private lodges. Of the 189 from local boards, 149 were for widows, 25 for brethren, 10 for orphans, 2 for mothers, 2 for sisters, and one for a wife, the husband being an inmate of a lunatic asylum. Of the 205 applications from private lodges, 140 were for widows, 51 for brethren, 11 for orphans, 2 for wives and one for a mother.

In addition to the above, grants were made from the revenue of the Semi-Centennial Fund in cases where further relief was required.

More than one-fourth of those for whom application was made are over 70 years of age; 45 are between 70 and 74; 37 are between 75 and 79; 25 are between 80 and 84; 10 are between 85 and 89, and 6 are over 90.

Two hundred and eighty-nine applications were made for widows, of whom 280 received grants and nine were rejected.

Seventy-six applications were made for brethren; 72 received grants and four were rejected.

Twenty-one applications were made for orphans; 18 received grants, two were rejected, and one died.

Three wives, one sister and one mother received grants.

The above figures tell in their own way of the work done by Grand Lodge through the Committee on Benevolence for the year 1911.

Thirty widows and thirty-four brethren received the maximum grant, being what is termed extreme cases. In most of them the applicants are totally disabled by old age or physical disability, and in many of them the aid they receive from the Grand Lodge is all they have to depend upon. A large number of our widows have been left with a family of young children to feed and clothe, and, if possible, to educate, so as to enable them to fill as good a position as that occupied by their fathers. There are scores—perhaps hundreds—of young people in this province to-day who are very much better equipped to fight the battle of life on account of the aid and encouragement that their mothers received from the Masonic Fraternity.

As in former reports, I now give a brief description of some of the applicants:

Bro. G. is 39 years of age. He has two sons, 13 and 8, and four daughters, 10, 6 and 2 and 6 months. He is slowly dying of tuberculosis, and as his earning power is stopped he cannot do anything for the support of his family. He has no means, and will probably require assistance as long as he lives. An extreme case.

Bro. L. is 53 years of age. He has three sons 11, 8 and 4, and two daughters, 17 and 6. He was formerly a machinist, earning a good salary, but is now totally disabled by rheumatism, and, as his family is too young to earn, will have to depend upon his friends and the grant from Grand Lodge.

Mrs. S. is 32 years of age. She has two daughters, 11 and 8, and one son, 2. She makes what she can by picking fruit in the season and by sewing, but finds it very difficult to make a living for herself and children. She is in every way worthy of relief.

Mrs. R. is 92 years of age. She has one daughter, 50; formerly the daughter worked in a woollen factory, but now she has to remain with her mother to take care of her. She (the daughter) tries to make a little money by sewing, but cannot make much; they practically depend upon the grant from Grand Lodge. An extreme case.

We have many cases just as distressing as those mentioned, and others not quite so needy, but equally worthy of relief.

The revenue from the Semi-Centennial Fund has enabled the Committee to extend additional relief in sixty-three cases where the circumstances were particularly distressing. If the brethren who subscribed to this fund could see these *our people*, and hear their expressions of gratitude, as I do, they would be more than satisfied that the small amount of money contributed by them had been made instrumental in doing so much good.

This year the Committee ordered a general investigation to be made and a report in detail to be prepared, upon every

application. A detailed report has been filed in the office of the Grand Secretary.

In conclusion I desire to express my great appreciation of the kindness and courtesy extended to me by the brethren, who, whenever called upon, have done all in their power to enable me to discharge my duties as satisfactorily as possible.

Yours fraternally,

J. B. NIXON,
Inspector of Benevolent Grants.

REPORT OF THE BOARD ON THE CONDITION OF MASONRY.

R.W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, Deputy Grand Master, presented the following report, which was read by M.W. Bro. E. T. Malone, Acting Chairman of the Committee on the Condition of Masonry:

REPORT.

The Board of General Purposes, through the Committee on the Condition of Masonry, begs leave to present the following report:

We found it a pleasant and agreeable task to peruse the reports of the District Deputy Grand Masters who during the past year presided over the Masonic districts of this Grand Lodge, a field of action covering an area of 407,252 square miles, and embracing within its boundaries 421 lodges, and about 50,300 members in good standing. The pleasures, trials and difficulties experienced by these distinguished brethren in the performance of their duty are therein faithfully and fearlessly depicted. The work has been well done, and Grand Lodge owes a debt of gratitude to these distinguished brethren.

We have no hesitation in affirming that the great prosperity and success which the Craft in Ontario enjoys to-day is due to the untiring efforts of the M.W. the Grand Master and his twenty-two District Deputy Grand Masters, who are unanimous in the opinion that "the reward of a thing well done is to have done it." They are nevertheless entitled to your gratitude and plaudits.

The reports contain valuable statistics, information and suggestions, thereby enabling us to present in a short, concise form the condition of the Craft in Ontario on the 31st day of May last, the close of the Grand Lodge year. It is a matter of regret to note the absence of the tabulated statements in several of the reports. If same had been furnished, it was our intention to furnish Grand Lodge with figures showing the numerical standing, the number of candidates initiated, the amount expended by the lodges in benevolent grants and the amount of arrearages of dues. Grand Lodge will in consequence have to be content with an incomplete report, and this state of affairs will continue until the Secretaries of some lodges are awakened to a sense of their duty. We would suggest to the incoming D.D.G.Ms. the necessity of warning Masters and Secretaries

that unless prompt returns are made immediately after the meeting in the month of May, the matter will be reported to the Grand Master, with a request to discipline all cases of neglect. It is a pity to complain when there is so much to be thankful for. We will therefore content ourselves with noting some outstanding features contained in the report.

VISITS OF D.D.G.Ms.

Every lodge in the province, save one, appears to have had an official visit from the D.D.G.M. in charge, who not only scrutinized the work and the business methods of the lodge, but also gave wholesome advice and instruction. With a few exceptions these visits were made on the regular meeting nights of the lodges; the presence of Past Masters and past officers of Grand Lodge taking an active interest in lodge work was worthy of special notice, thus demonstrating that Craft work is as attractive and interesting to the old as to the young. Every advantage was taken by the D.D.G.Ms. to impress upon the members the duties and responsibilities which they assumed upon becoming Masons. The result of these visits is to be seen in an increase in the attendance of members at lodge meetings, renewed interest in Craft affairs and uniformity in work, and with only a few exceptions the officers are capable and efficient in every respect.

GENERAL CONDITIONS.

The districts are enjoying a full measure of prosperity, and harmony prevails throughout the length and breadth of the jurisdiction. It will be found that there has been a large increase in our membership, represented by the best men in the community, quality rather than quantity appears to have been the governing rule in the choice of candidates, our Craftsmen are all engaged in the works of love and charity. Our financial returns will show an increase over any other year, the contributions of not only the subordinate lodges, but of the Grand Lodge, for benevolent purposes, far exceed those of former years, the sick and suffering have been tenderly cared for and nursed. It may almost be said, paraphrasing the words of Holy Writ, "I have been young and now am old, yet have I never seen a Mason forsaken nor his seed wanting bread." May the good work long continue, so that the world may be convinced that "Masonry is love—love towards man, love for the beautiful, brotherly love, love for the good, the honest, the true. It is not dollars and cents, neither has it selfish ends to attain, but it is a field of action for him who seeks to benefit his fellow-men and cultivate his own highest nature." These are the doctrines which our Grand Master has been endeavouring to instill into the hearts and minds of the brethren when visiting them in their respective districts. He has been loyal to the trust reposed in him, he has sacrificed time and health on our behalf, his efforts have been crowned with success, and he will have the consolation of knowing that his efforts to elevate the moral tone of the Craft and to teach the brethren their duties to their fellow-men have been crowned with success. Our prayer is that God may endow him with health and strength

during the coming year, to lead another loyal, devoted and enthusiastic band of District Masters, to manage the destiny, preserve the integrity and keep inviolate the principles of our great moral institution.

SEMI-CENTENNIAL FUND.

The Grand Master and the District Deputy Grand Masters have spared no pains in their efforts to complete the collection of this fund. While a great measure of success has crowned their efforts, the fact remains that about \$1,800 remains to be collected. It is noticeable that the great majority of the districts have paid in full, and in fact a number of them have overpaid their quota. Grand Lodge congratulates them on the accomplishment of their task and trusts that at an early date the few lodges in arrears will have contributed their share. No doubt the D.D.G.Ms. for the coming year will put forth a special effort in the completion of a task which will reflect credit upon the generosity of the Craft in Ontario.

LODGES OF INSTRUCTION.

It is a matter of congratulation that, with a few exceptions, a Lodge of Instruction was held in each district. The work was of a high order, and the instruction therein given proved to be of great benefit in bringing about uniformity in work and in obtaining the necessary information and advice in connection with Craft matters and lodge methods. The presence of the Grand Master at these important gatherings, as the attendance was large and representative, added considerably to the success of the same. It is hoped that during the coming year his services may be at the disposal of the District Masters, and in particular in the districts which had not the good fortune to hear and become acquainted with him during the year that has passed.

The brethren of Erie District No. 1, while holding their Lodge of Instruction, were honoured by a visit from M.W. Bro. James Dillon, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Michigan.

The difficulty experienced by a few of the District Masters in holding a Lodge of Instruction was caused by the disinclination of the prosperous and wealthy lodges in bearing the expense attendant upon such meetings, and a few of the District Masters suggest legislation on the subject, so as to compel the lodges to share in the expense. It is inconceivable why there should arise any difficulty in the matter. The benefits to be derived from such meetings cannot be over-estimated, and if perfection and success is to be attained, and if fraternal and social intercourse is to be encouraged, the District Masters must persist in their efforts. It should not be necessary to resort to compulsory measures for such a commendable and useful object. The district should be able to evolve a plan acceptable to all. The D.D.G.M. of Prince Edward District hit upon a happy solution. He appointed a committee, which recommended the levying of a per capita tax of twelve and a half cents a member upon each lodge to cover all expenses of the district, including the expenses of holding a Lodge of Instruction. This met with the approval of all the lodges. The result was a magnificent meeting, at which all the lodges in the district were represented,

and enabled to give assurance of general prosperity, under the care of capable and efficient officers. The M.W. the Grand Master can testify to the success of the meeting. The plan is recommended to all District Masters in the hope that next year the Board may be able to congratulate all the districts upon the holding of successful Lodges of Instruction.

BLACK BALLING.

It is to be regretted that one of the D.D.G.Ms. found it necessary to complain of the promiscuous use of the black ball by members, who, to use the language of the distinguished brother, "fail to realize that this privilege is granted to thinking men, who should place the good of the Craft before personal matters." Unfortunately, brethren imbued with base motives work in the dark and keep their own counsel; no opportunity is given to us to expel such persons from our midst. We deplore the rule-or-ruin policy of some brethren; we are only permitted to offer suggestions and advice, with the hope that same may have the effect of awakening some erring brother to a clearer sense of his duty. The position taken by the Grand Lodge on this subject on a former occasion will stand repetition. We are aware that the ballot is a sacred privilege entrusted to the brethren, and a conscientious exercise of same cannot be questioned or enquired into. It is the safeguard of the institution. It is a Mason's right to exercise the privilege without interference from any one, responsible only to his own conscience; but it is as well for him to know that he forgets his manhood and violates his obligation when the trust is exercised in a vindictive and cowardly spirit. Revenge, jealousy and fancied wrongs should not govern the deposit of a ballot, and thereby endanger the peace and harmony of a lodge. We would commend the advice of an illustrious brother on this subject: "Rather let love rule in your hearts, that the grandeur and loftiness alone of human character may sway your actions and keep in subjection your baser passions. Let your hearts beat responsive to the teachings of Freemasonry in all their glory and heaven-born influence, so that every question which comes before the tribunal of the ballot may be disposed of justly and honourably, although it be done in the exercise of an inalienable right, a landmark upon which no law can trench. I speak with earnestness of heart on the subject, knowing that the frailties of our poor human nature, but speaking alone to its highest and noblest impulses, and asking you ever to keep in remembrance the Golden Rule, 'Whatsoever ye would that men should do unto you, do ye even so to them.'"

ARREARAGES OF DUES.

It is a matter of regret that large arrearages of dues are noticeable in very many lodges. Business principles must be adopted in the conduct of lodge affairs. If we were to conduct our commercial business upon the same lines as we look after dues, bankruptcy would inevitably follow. Far from us to advocate the adoption of severe measures towards those of our brethren who through privation and suffering are unable to pay; in such cases place the brethren in good standing on your

books; impress upon them their place is at the lodge meeting, where their wants may be made known and a brother's care extended to them. But, on the other hand, if a brother is able to pay and has so lost interest in Craft affairs that he gives no heed to the requirements of his lodge, it is poor business policy to carry him on your books and pay Grand Lodge dues for him. But, candidly speaking, does the fault lie altogether with the delinquent brother? Are our officers remiss in the performance of their duty? It strikes us that the D.D.G.M. of Nipissing District suggests what may be a solution of the difficulty when he states that the zeal of the Secretary is gauged by the absence of arrears of dues; that a Secretary lax in his duties will as a rule be found in a lodge shewing large arrear accounts. We suggest that a live, energetic Secretary should be procured for such lodge, pay him a reasonable salary, and impress upon him that you expect proper results. It is a matter of gratification to find that the office of Secretary in the successful lodges is filled by a Past Master, who is enthusiastic, capable and efficient, who, being familiar with the work of the lodge, is a tower of strength to the Master and aids in the prosperity of the lodge. We strongly recommend the lodges to fill the Secretary's office with properly remunerated, energetic, intelligent and experienced brethren. We cannot close the chapter without especially referring to Bro. Blackburn of Prince Arthur Lodge No. 333, Flesherton, who, although an invalid for twenty years, faithfully and satisfactorily continues to perform the duties of Secretary of his lodge. May he be blessed with health and strength, so that his valuable services may for many years to come be at the disposal of his lodge.

WORK.

It is a matter of congratulation to find that we have no drones among the brethren who preside over the destinies of our lodges; with a couple of exceptions all of them are capable of conferring the degrees and ruling the lodges. Uniformity in the work is noticeable in every district. The District Masters are to be congratulated in bringing about this general state of efficiency, as we note the particular attention given by all the D.D.G.Ms. to this important subject, so that lasting, favourable impressions were made upon candidates, enabling them to appreciate the aims and objects of Freemasonry, which should influence their lives for higher and better things. A perusal of the reports will shew valuable suggestions with regard to the work and to candidates, and will well repay the incoming D.D.G.Ms. and the officers of the respective lodges. We especially note the suggestion that Masters should insist upon the candidates undergoing the authorized examination in connection with the Master Mason's degree, and that the Grand Lodge certificate should be withheld until the candidate proves his proficiency. It may appear trifling with your intelligence when we assure you that it is recorded of one Master that he had never seen or heard of the charge to candidates contained in our printed Constitution. Such ignorance appals one. The views of the examining board and the installing Master on this interesting state of affairs might prove of interest to Grand Lodge.

CORNER STONES.

It is with pleasure that we note that the service of the M.W. the Grand Master was in demand throughout the year in the laying of corner stones of religious, Masonic and public institutions. This work belongs exclusively to the Craft, full of meaning to the Craftsmen and of interest to the intelligent public. On all such occasions the M.W. the Grand Master has in eloquent terms explained the mission of Freemasonry, its benefits to mankind and the strong ties which connect the Church, Education and the Craft. We trust that by his efforts doubts have been removed from the minds of those who in this age of enlightenment and progress misconceived the aims and purposes of the Order.

LODGE ROOMS.

In a few instances our lodge rooms are not attractive and pleasant. To quote from one of our D.D.G.Ms., Masonry is a fraternal society; the meeting of the brethren in their lodge rooms should be one of enjoyment; this end cannot be attained if the surroundings are not pleasant and comfortable.

NEW LODGES.

Dispensations have been issued during the year for the formation of the following lodges: Coronation, in Niagara District; Rose Lodge, in Erie District; Lynden Lodge, in Hamilton District; Otter Lodge, in St. Lawrence District; Inwood, in St. Clair District; one at Port Arthur, in Algoma District; Porcupine, in Nipissing District; and Connaught, in Toronto West No. 11. It is worthy of note the great care exercised by the D.D.G.Ms. and the M.W. the Grand Master before the issuing of a dispensation; the application was obliged to stand a severe test before receiving favourable consideration; the reports justify the issuing of the dispensations in every case. For the guidance of the new D.D.G.Ms., it is as well to point out the steps taken before the D.D.G.M. forwarded the application to the Grand Master. He corresponded with the other lodges in the district which might be affected by the establishment of a new lodge; he attended a meeting held by the petitioners; he then made enquiries regarding the locality, the population and the prospects, and only then, after satisfying himself that there was a bright future, he recommended the granting of the petition.

WEAK LODGES.

While we regret the presence of weak lodges, nevertheless it is a matter of congratulation that out of 421 lodges only four of them can be classed as weak and backward, and even then attention and encouragement may be the means of infusing new life into them. A perusal of the reports will shew the causes for this deplorable condition, and the incoming D.D.G.Ms. are urgently requested to give special attention to the following lodges, with the hope that a marked improvement may be the result. The lodges are: St. John 81, St. Clair District; Somerville 451, Ontario District; St. Mark's 94, London District; Robertson 292, Toronto West District; Evergreen 209 and

Bonnechere 433, in Ottawa District; and there are a few lodges placed under the heading of fair prospects which with some little care can easily be brought into the prosperous class.

OLD MEMBERS.

Special reference should be made to the fact that Bro. Archibald Couper, of Niagara District No. 10, 91 years of age, said to be the oldest Mason in the world, joins with the younger members in the enjoyment of lodge work. He is in possession of all his faculties and was presented with a congratulatory address by his brethren. We also note that W. Bro. Roger, aged 84, of Lorne Lodge No. 282, and W. Bro. Malcolm Cameron, aged 80, of Warren Lodge No. 120, are regular attendants at the meetings of their respective lodges, and take a keen interest in their affairs. Grand Lodge joins in the congratulations to these three worthy brethren and tenders them loving and fraternal regards.

PAST MASTERS' ASSOCIATION AND MASONIC LIBRARIES.

The organization of Past Masters' Associations and establishing of Masonic libraries in several of the districts augurs well for the progress and permanency of Masonry in this province. We cannot have too many intelligent men in our ranks, it should be our aim to educate our members in the history and literature of the Order. We trust that the good work will continue and that men may go forth from our portals and occupy leading positions in every respectable walk of life, and by their life and conduct demonstrate the fact that Masonry is a benefit to humanity in general and has a strong claim to an existence in this practical and progressive age.

INSURANCE.

It is with pleasure we note that business principles have been adopted by the lodges in the carrying of insurance on their buildings and furniture. Up to a few years ago Grand Lodge was called upon at each session to deal with applications for relief from lodges which had suffered pecuniary loss through fires. Advice previously given had been unheeded, with the inevitable result. The reports will now show the care exercised by the members, and while we sympathize with those who suffered by fire during the year, we commend the spirit displayed in manfully meeting the situation by the immediate erection of new and commodious quarters suitable in every way for the carrying on of the important work of the Craft.

SUGGESTIONS.

Several of the reports contain complaints and suggestions with reference to Craft affairs. Some of these are of sufficient importance to be placed before Grand Lodge for action, if same is deemed advisable. They are as follows: (a) Ballot boxes; Strong disapproval is expressed of the ballot boxes furnished by Grand Lodge; it is claimed that thereby a secret ballot cannot be obtained, and that the old style of box is preferable. With respect to this complaint we would ask the lodges to give the new box a fair trial before making any

change. (b) Power to collect the D.D.G.M.'s expenses and the expenses of one Lodge of Instruction during the year by means of an assessment to be levied on the lodges of the district. (c) That before a member of a lodge be furnished with his Grand Lodge certificate he shall be obliged to pass satisfactorily the examination connected with the M.M. degree. (d) Legislation enabling a lodge to take action against a demitted member for dues owing at the time of granting the demit, but with respect to which dues no action had been previously taken. As an explanation of above, a lodge finds itself in the following predicament: A Past Master is a life member of one lodge and a demitted member of another lodge; he was in arrears for dues in the latter lodge when his demit was granted. He now refuses to pay same and claims the lodge has no jurisdiction over him. (e) A compulsory audit of the books of the subordinate lodges.

CONCLUSION.

The above is a hurried review of the work of the jurisdiction, imperfect and incomplete in many particulars, for which we offer no apology. Many important matters had to be omitted on account of several reports not reaching us until the Board was in session. We are not in a complaining mood, as we recognize the fact that the Craft in Ontario has never been in as flourishing and prosperous a condition as at the present time, due largely to the devotion, zeal and self-denial of not only the M.W. the Grand Master, but of his devoted band of D.D.G.Ms. It is our duty to assure them that Grand Lodge appreciates their fidelity to the sacred trust reposed in them; the Craft at large will benefit by the advice and instruction given by these distinguished brethren. They have received loyal and valuable assistance from the Masters and officers of the subordinate lodges. We firmly believe that the work and experience of the past year has given the brethren a clearer conception of their duty to their God, their country and their fellow-man; each Craftsman has learned that there is a place and opportunity for him to exhibit his love and interest for and in his fellow-man, and that his Masonry should be real and portrayed in his own life and conduct. It may be said that the principles of the Order and our conduct are often at variance, but common-sense reminds us that the abuse of a thing is not a valid objection to its inherent goodness. It has been well said by a distinguished brother that "Freemasonry never yet attempted to work miracles; it never yet infused brains into a cranium that had no cavity for their reception, nor did it ever send human blood coursing through a heart of granite, nor make a man out of a natural born beast—and we can safely say it never will. Its mission is to improve, not to create, and the material for its use must be capable of being moulded or it cannot work it up."

On individual conduct and effort depend the maintenance of the high standard of Masonry, and the man who faithfully carries out its principles will be true to his brother man. No higher compliment could a man expect than that paid by one of the D.D.G.Ms. to a W.M. when he writes: "He is an able Master and a lover of the whole Fraternity." Don't live for self alone; don't forever keep your head in the clouds; look

down and around you and you will find plenty at hand to do, and that there are others outside of your immediate self and family who are worthy of admiration. It should be a pleasure and privilege to say:

"Let me live in a house by the side of the road
Where the race of men go by—
The men who are good and the men who are bad,
As good and as bad as I;
For then I'll rejoice when the travellers rejoice.
And weep with the strangers that moan,
Nor live in my house by the side of the road
Like a man who dwells alone.

"I see from my house by the side of the road—
By the side of the highway of life.
The men who press with the ardor of hope,
The men who are faint with strife.
But I turn not away from their smiles nor their tears—
Both part of an infinite plan—
Let me live in a house by the side of the road,
And be a friend to man."

All of which is fraternally submitted.

E. T. MALONE,
Acting Chairman.

It was moved by R.W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, seconded by M.W. Bro. E. T. Malone, and

Resolved, That the report of the Board on the Condition of Masonry be received and adopted.

REPORT OF BOARD ON GRIEVANCES AND APPEALS.

R.W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, Deputy Grand Master, presented the following report, which was read by R.W. Bro. S. A. Luke, Chairman of the Committee on Grievances and Appeals:

REPORT.

The Board of General Purposes, through the Committee on Grievances and Appeals, beg leave to report as follows:

1. *Re* Bro. John Mattson, Madawaska Lodge No. 196, Arnprior:

Bro. Mattson was convicted of and sentenced to serve a term in the county jail at Pembroke for embezzlement of \$11,246.55, funds of the town of Arnprior.

He was tried, suspended and recommended for expulsion by his lodge.

Your Committee last year concurred in the action of the lodge, and recommended that he be summoned to show cause at this meeting of Grand Lodge why he should not be expelled therefor.

He has been duly summoned, has not appeared before your Committee, nor offered anything in extenuation of his offence,

and your Committee now recommend that he be expelled from the Craft for said offence.

2. *Re* W. Bro. Wm. Richard Travers, a demitted member of Grand River Lodge No. 151, Berlin:

W. Bro. Travers was charged with un-Masonic conduct, consisting of misappropriation of \$40,000.00, funds of the Farmers Bank, and causing false statements to be issued in regard thereto, for which offence he is now serving a sentence imposed by the courts in Kingston Penitentiary.

The M.W. the Grand Master appointed M.W. Bro. Malone to conduct an investigation on behalf of this Grand Lodge, and the said special Commissioner having found and reported the accused guilty, your Committee last year recommended that he be summoned to show cause at this meeting why he should not be expelled. He has been duly notified and has not appeared, and your Committee now recommend that he be expelled from the Craft for the foregoing offences.

3. *Re* Bro. Geo. Burtch, St. John's Lodge No. 81, Mount Brydges—un-Masonic conduct.

In 1910 an irregularity in the above lodge was under investigation by R.W. Bro. Argue, D.D.G.M.

Bro. Burtch was summoned to appear and give evidence, which he refused to do, and the M.W. the Grand Master accordingly suspended him therefor until the meeting of Grand Lodge in 1910. At that meeting your Committee concurred in the suspension, advised that it be continued and a charge laid against Bro. Burtch for un-Masonic conduct in refusing to obey the summons of the D.D.G.M. Pursuant thereto the charge was duly investigated by R.W. Bro. Montgomery, but Bro. Burtch, although notified of the charge and summoned to attend at the time and place of trial, neglected to do so, thereby causing a postponement, from which he also absented himself.

The special Commissioner having reported as above, your Committee at the session of 1911 recommended that Bro. Burtch be summoned to show cause at this meeting why he should not be expelled from the Craft.

He has been summoned in accordance therewith; has not appeared personally or otherwise, and your Committee, believing that Bro. Burtch wilfully and persistently challenges the authority laid down in Sec. 52, "Powers of Grand Master," and Sec. 73, "Powers of D.D.G.M.," now recommend that he be expelled from the Craft for said offences.

4. *Re* Bro. David Stevenson, King Solomon Lodge No. 22, Toronto:

Bro. Stevenson was suspended by the M.W. the Grand Master after R.W. Bro. Harcourt, the special Commissioner had investigated and found the charges (using contemptuous language and threatening to blackball any applicants for initiation) proven. Your Committee at the last session approved of the action taken, and recommended continuance of the suspension until this meeting, and we now recommend that it be further continued until Bro. Stevenson petitions his lodge, and the lodge sanctions, and petitions Grand Lodge for the removal of the suspension.

5. *Re* Bro. Frank White, St. George's Lodge No. 367, Toronto:

The charge is similar to Bro. Stevenson's—contemptuous language and threatening to blackball. The charges were proven and your Committee concurred in the course pursued last year, recommending that the suspension be continued until this meeting. We now recommend that the suspension be continued until Bro. White petitions his lodge, and the lodge sanctions, and petitions Grand Lodge for the removal of the suspension.

6. Bro. Silas Connelly, Hammond Lodge No. 327, Wardsville, in appeal versus Great Western Lodge No. 47, Windsor. The charge against Bro. Connelly was, substantially, that through his influence a separation took place between Bro. Whitlock, a member of Great Western Lodge, and his wife.

The appeal alleges that the charges are vague, do not contain any Masonic offence, and that the evidence is uncertain and insufficient to warrant conviction.

Your Committee find from the papers before them some irregularities in the procedure at this trial, and recommend that the M.W. the Grand Master appoint a Commission or Commissioner to conduct a new trial, and report to this Grand Lodge at the next annual meeting.

7. *Re* Bro. Alfred Taylor, St. George's Lodge No. 367, Toronto. Bro. Taylor was summoned to appear on two occasions and give evidence before a commission appointed to investigate an irregularity in the above lodge, which he neglected to do.

Bro. Taylor was summoned under instruction of the M.W. the Grand Master to attend a meeting of St. George's Lodge, November 20th, to receive censure for refusing to attend the commission, which he again neglected to do, as also a summons issued 28th December to attend at St. George's Lodge, January 5th, and for these offences he was suspended by the M.W. the Grand Master, June 15th, 1912, until this meeting of Grand Lodge.

Your Committee now recommend that the suspension be continued until the next meeting of Grand Lodge, with the proviso, however, that should Bro. Taylor in the interval attend at St. George's Lodge and receive censure from the D.D.G.M., then the M.W. the Grand Master may remove the suspension forthwith.

8. *Re* Bro. A. W. Brown versus Dorie Lodge No. 316, Toronto. Bro. Brown appeals from the decision of the lodge, which refused to accept a charge of un-Masonic conduct he desired to lay against Bro. J. B. Sutherland, the Secretary, of not acting in accordance with the by-laws of the lodge regarding the collection of dues. As the matter appears to be purely domestic and no by-laws have been presented to your Committee, they have not the means of judging whether the appeal is justified or not, and therefore recommend that it be not entertained.

9. *Re* Prince of Wales Lodge No. 171, Lawrence Station, Ont.

Re Prince Arthur Lodge No. 228, Odessa, Ont.

Re Westport Lodge No. 441, Westport, Ont.

Each of these is a case of violation of Sec. 204, which clearly sets forth that no higher degree in Masonry shall be conferred on any brother at a shorter interval than four weeks from the date of his receiving a previous degree, except under dispensation from the Grand Master, for which the sum of twenty dollars is required to be paid.

In the Proceedings of 1910, page 389, item 4, Grand Lodge, in adopting the report of your Committee, clearly intimated that no remission or evasion of Sec. 204 would be permitted in the future.

We therefore recommend that the fees owing by the aforementioned Lodges be collected by the R.W. the Grand Secretary.

10. *Re* Humber Lodge No. 305, Weston.

Bro. Harry Sharpe Rothera was initiated in Humber Lodge 24th December, 1909.

Very shortly thereafter he took up residence at Peekskill, New York, and by request of Humber Lodge, made February 9th, 1910, Courtlandt Lodge No. 34, Grand Registry of New York, conferred the second degree 10th March, 1910, and the third degree 24th March, 1910.

The question then arises: Is Humber Lodge liable under Sec. 204 for the short interval of time between the receipt by Bro. Rothera of the second and third degrees?

We are of the opinion that it is not.

The degrees were conferred conformably with the Constitution of the Grand Lodge of New York, and your Committee is of opinion that under these circumstances the provisions of Sec. 204 of our Constitution are inapplicable and recommend that the Grand Secretary be directed to furnish the usual certificate to Bro. Rothera.

Fraternally submitted,

S. A. LUKE,
Chairman.

It was moved by R.W. Bro. W. D. McPherson. seconded by R.W. Bro. S. A. Luke, and

Resolved, That the report of the Board on Grievances and Appeals be received and adopted.

REPORT OF THE BOARD ON CONSTITUTION AND LAWS.

R.W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, Deputy Grand Master, presented the following report, which was read by M.W. Bro. J. H. Burritt, Chairman of the Committee on Constitution and Laws:

REPORT.

The Board of General Purposes, through the Committee on Constitution and Laws, beg leave to report regarding the following matters which have been referred to it:

1. R.W. Bro. J. K. Brydon has given notice to amend the Constitution by adding the following to Sec. 3: "Except in the case of lodges west of Lake Superior, which shall have the power to appoint a Past Master, residing in the District of Algoma, No. 17, and such proxy to represent three or less lodges in the said district at the Annual Communication at Grand Lodge."

At the last meeting of the Grand Lodge, the R.W. Bro. gave practically the same notice of motion, only changing it this time to the case of lodges west of Lake Superior instead of, as it was last year, in the Algoma District No. 17. The object to be obtained in both is the same, and covers the same territory. This motion of Bro. Brydon's last year, in his absence, was taken up by W. Bro. Quibel, and went before Grand Lodge, and was declared lost.

Sec. 45, of the Constitution, declares that any amendment to the Constitution which has been rejected by Grand Lodge shall not be reconsidered at any time within five years after such rejection, except leave be given by Grand Lodge by a two-thirds vote, such vote to be taken without debate, and your Board is of the opinion that this motion cannot properly come before Grand Lodge.

2. Your Board has before it a letter from R.W. Bro. Alex. Cowan, asking for a redistribution of some of the lodges in the Georgian District. There is nothing in the request of Bro. Cowan which cannot properly be dealt with by Grand Lodge.

3. With respect to the notice of motion by M.W. Bro. Malone, for a re-arrangement of the lodges in the present existing Georgian District No. 9, there is no constitutional objection to this motion going before Grand Lodge.

Fraternally submitted,

JAS. H. BURRITT,
Chairman.

It was moved by R.W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, seconded by M.W. Bro. J. H. Burritt, and

Resolved, That the report of the Board on Constitution and Laws be received and adopted.

REPORT OF THE BOARD ON THE FRATERNAL DEAD

R.W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, Deputy Grand Master, presented the following report, which was read by R.W. Bro. F. W. Harcourt, Chairman of the Committee on the Fraternal Dead:

REPORT.

The Board of General Purposes, through the Committee on Fraternal Dead, beg to report:

R.W. Bro. John Osborne, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Canada, 1856, died at Morden, Manitoba, last October. The Historian of Grand Lodge, M.W. Bro. John Ross Robertson,

in his History of Freemasonry in Canada, states that he was an active and zealous Mason, and a man of sterling integrity. He was born in Scotland, initiated in Strict Observance Lodge No. 833, E.R., on the 15th of July, 1851; was Worshipful Master of that lodge in 1856; was appointed first Director of Ceremonies of Grand Lodge at Hamilton in 1855, was present at its first Annual Communication, and was its second Grand Secretary. He was also the first Worshipful Master of Burlington Lodge No. 165.

The names of other departed brothers of Grand Lodge will be found in the schedule attached to this report.

Though they were not as prominent in Masoury as the brother who has been specially mentioned, they were useful in their several lodges, and respected by the community in which they resided.

A brilliant Indian officer, ending his days in England, on one occasion, at the request of some friends, travelled in memory through many years, recounting thrilling adventures, sieges, battles, victories, reverses, personal encounters and escapes, and, pausing, said: "I expect to see something much more remarkable than I have been describing." Continuing, he added in an undertone, "I mean in the first five minutes after death."

Brigadier-General Nicholson, whose glorious career as a soldier and administrator helped to save India to the Empire, when writing to his mother in England, after the brave death in action of his brother, Alexander, entreated her "to bear her loss with Christian resignation and fortitude, and sorrow not for him that is gone as one without hope, but rejoice rather that it has pleased God to remove him from this world of sorrow and temptation."

These truly great men, in common with millions of Christians the world over, believe in the survival of consciousness after death—believe, in fact, that "There is no death"; that "what seems so is transition"; that "this life of mortal breath is but a suburb of the life Elysian, whose portal we call death."

During the past year, as always heretofore, some of our good men and true, obeying the universal summons, have fallen from the ranks. Among the number we sorrow to record the loss of the following Past Officers of this Grand Lodge and Past Grand Masters of Foreign Jurisdictions, viz.:

R.W. Bro. John A. Hoshal, Cayuga, P.D.D.G.M. Niagara district No. 10, died October 23rd, 1911.

R.W. Bro. John Osborne, Grand Secretary Grand Lodge of Canada in 1857, died November 6th, 1911.

R.W. Bro. Dr. T. H. Thornton, P.D.D.G.M. Prince Edward District No. 13, died November 24th, 1911.

R.W. Bro. George Edward White, P.D.D.G.M. Erie District No. 1, died December 25th, 1911.

R.W. Bro. Archibald Hood, P.D.D.G.M. Ottawa District No. 16, died December 30th, 1911.

R.W. Bro. W. A. Karn, P.D.D.G.M. Wilson District No. 6, died January 1st, 1912.

R.W. Bro. Dr. John W. Wright, P.D.D.G.M. Prince Edward District No. 13, died February 29th, 1912.

R.W. Bro. John Newton, P.D.D.G.M. Frontenac District No. 14, died March 26th, 1912.

R.W. Bro. Thomas Wilkinson, P.D.D.G.M. St. Lawrence District No. 15, died June 6th, 1912.

R.W. Bro. Edward Finlay, P.D.D.G.M. Hamilton District No. 8, died June, 1912.

V.W. Bro. Luther K. Murton, Past Grand Steward, died February 2nd, 1912.

V.W. Bro. J. Parker Thomas, Past Grand Pursuivant, died May 5th, 1912.

FOREIGN JURISDICTIONS.

M.W. Bro. Francis M. Maye, P.G.M., North Carolina, died May 28th, 1911.

M.W. Bro. Samuel Bassett, P.G.M., Connecticut, died August, 1911.

M.W. Bro. Beverley Randolph Wellford, Jr., P.G.M., Virginia, died September 19th, 1911.

M.W. Bro. Samuel Crocker Lawrence, P.G.M., Massachusetts, died September 24th, 1911.

M.W. Bro. Nathaniel Pitt Langford, P.G.M., Montana, died October 18th, 1911.

M.W. Bro. Charles C. Clark, P.G.M., North Carolina, died October 30th, 1911.

M.W. Bro. Lewis Jackson Baker, P.G.M., Iowa, died November 8th, 1911.

M.W. Bro. M. M. Evans, P.G.M., Mississippi, died November 9th, 1911.

M.W. Bro. James Bacon Gay, P.G.M., Rhode Island, died November 25th, 1911.

M.W. Bro. Enoch George DeLap, P.G.M., Mississippi, died December 24th, 1911.

M.W. Bro. John S. Cobb, P.G.M., Mississippi, died January 17th, 1912.

M.W. Bro. Hon. William Ross, P.G.M., Nova Scotia, died March 17th, 1912.

M.W. Bro. George Washington Prescott, P.G.M., Minnesota, died March 21st, 1912.

M.W. Bro. John P. Allmand, P.G.M., Delaware, died March 24th, 1912.

M.W. Bro. Dr. Daniel McLaren Miller, P.G.M., Wisconsin, died April 25th, 1912.

M.W. Bro. Hiram Reese Howard, P.G.M., Virginia, died May 9th, 1912.

M.W. Bro. Rollin Madison Hunter, P.G.M., Iowa, died June 26th, 1912.

Their life's work was done, and the Great Architect of all things called them to himself. The lodges of which they were

honoured members will miss them, and the homes they sustained and brightened will miss them more. The final summons, at God's appointed time, is inexorable, and it becomes us to make our lives a preparation for it. It may come after long warning and protracted suffering, and in such cases is admittedly a merciful relief. And yet we sorrow none the less. Or it may come like a thief in the night, and then the suddenness and the shock give our grief a peculiar poignancy. There is no appointed season or locality. In mid-ocean, for example, the resistless forces of Nature may assert themselves and furnish fresh proof that man's proudest achievement in naval architecture is at best at times but a magnificent toy, the sport of wind and berg and tempest, and that absolute perfect safety, after all, exists for the sons of men only in the hollow of His hand. Or pallid Death on the white horse may find those for whom the summons calls on the open prairie; it may be in the Queen City of the West, whose man-fashioned buildings, humble and proud alike, could not even for a moment withstand the fury of the tempest, the dire messenger of the King of Kings.

In all these ways—slow, sudden, peaceful, tragic—has our Order during the past year paid the inevitable toll, and we repeat that we sorrow only as Christians sorrow, because we know that "joy cometh in the morning." And our Order, with its sublime ritual and its helpful teaching, prepares us for the event, come how and when it may, and teaches us that the best preparation of all is the conscientious performance at all times of the daily round and common task, devotion to duty, high or commonplace; helping with fraternal cheerfulness, but without condescension and wherever opportunity offers, those who, being human beings, claim the assistance of our kind offices.

Fraternally submitted,

FRED W. HARCOURT,
Chairman.

It was moved by R.W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, seconded by R.W. Bro. F. W. Harcourt, and

Resolved, That the report of the Board on the Fraternal Dead be received and adopted.

REPORT OF THE BOARD ON PRINTING AND SUPPLIES.

R.W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, Deputy Grand Master, on behalf of the Board of General Purposes, presented the following report, which was read by V.W. Bro. W. H. Wardrope, Chairman of the Committee on Printing and Supplies:

REPORT.

The Board of General Purposes, through the Committee on Printing and Supplies, begs to report as follows:

The Board recommends that the Chairman of this Committee and the Grand Secretary be a sub-committee of the Committee on Printing and Supplies, to edit the reports of the

District Deputy Grand Masters before printing in the Proceedings.

Fraternally submitted,

W. H. WARDROPE,
Chairman.

It was moved by R.W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, seconded by V.W. Bro. W. H. Wardrope, and

Resolved, That the report of the Board on Printing and Supplies be received and adopted.

REPORT OF THE BOARD ON FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE.

R.W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, Deputy Grand Master, presented the report on Foreign Correspondence, which upon motion was received and ordered to be printed in the proceedings of Grand Lodge.

SPECIAL REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE.

M.W. Bro. A. T. Freed presented the following Special Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence:

YORK GRAND LODGE OF MEXICO.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master:

Your Committee on Foreign Correspondence, to whom was referred a communication from the Most Worshipful the Grand Master of the York Grand Lodge of Mexico, asking for fraternal recognition, beg leave to report that it appears from the letter and from other documents and some oral statements that the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico was to some extent affiliated with bodies of the Scottish Rite in Mexico; and that some of the lodges under its jurisdiction used the Spanish ritual of the Scottish Rite, while others used a ritual obtained from the state of Missouri. Two or three years ago a proposal was made to change the constitution, making the body absolutely independent of the Scottish Rite. This amended constitution was approved by a majority of the lodges, and was subsequently adopted by a majority of the members of the Grand Lodge. A number of the members then left the Grand Lodge and formed a body which claimed to be the genuine and continuing Grand Lodge of Valle de Mexico. The English-speaking brethren, however, appear to have been sustained by a large majority of all the lodges. At a later communication the name was changed to The York Grand Lodge of Mexico. Nearly all the lodges use the Missouri ritual, or a revision of it, though the Spanish ritual of the Scottish Rite is used by some.

The York Grand Lodge of Mexico claims jurisdiction over all "York Rite Masonry" in the Republic of Mexico. As the American doctrine of territorial jurisdiction is to some extent recognized by the brethren of the York Grand Lodge of Mexico,

as Mexico is a federal union of states, each of which may claim jurisdiction within its own bounds, and as there are several Masonic bodies in the republic claiming to be regular Grand Lodges, it may not be wise at present to approve, by recognition, the claims of the York Grand Lodge of Mexico to jurisdiction over the whole republic. It is therefore recommended that action on the communication of Most Worshipful Brother Freston be deferred until further information can be obtained, and until this Grand Lodge can be satisfied that recognition and fraternal intercourse with the York Grand Lodge of Mexico may properly be accorded.

Fraternally submitted,

A. T. FREED,
Chairman.

It was moved by R.W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, seconded by M.W. Bro. A. T. Freed, and

Resolved, That the Special Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, regarding the York Grand Lodge of Mexico, be received and adopted.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON CARD INDEX.

V.W. Bro. K. J. Dunstan presented the following report of the Special Committee on "Card Index":

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master:

The Special Committee appointed to consider the advisability of a Card Index in connection with Grand Lodge records begs leave to present the following report:

That an individual Card Index is advisable.

That it will complete the present system of Grand Lodge records.

That it should date back to the establishment of Grand Lodge in 1855.

That the expense is not likely to exceed \$1,000.00.

That ink, not typewriting, should be used.

That the Grand Lodge Secretary be instructed to complete the index at an early date.

Under the present system the details contained in the semi-annual reports from private lodges are entered in registers, each lodge being a separate unit. The registers from the formation of Grand Lodge are in excellent condition and the whole form a compact and complete record of membership for every lodge since 1855. There is no difficulty in looking up any individual member provided his lodge is known, but without information to guide, the inspection of the records of 420 active lodges—many of which have been in existence for a long period—involves enormous work. The proposed individual card index supplies the missing link, as the card will contain the name of the member with reference to his lodge and the folio of the register in which his name is entered. Full information can

thus be obtained at the moment. 84,414 certificates have been issued to those who have received the third degree. Some did not take the full degrees and some affiliated. It is therefore estimated that 100,000 cards will be required; practically half will be used for existing membership and half for those who have died or whose membership has ceased by resignation or suspension.

The cards will be contained in ordinary card record cabinets and will be sub-divided by the usual alphabetical guides.

The cost of maintaining the system will be slight.

Fraternally submitted,

K. J. DUNSTAN, *Chairman.*

A. T. FREED.

W. H. WARDROPE.

It was moved by R.W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, D.G.M., seconded by V.W. Bro. K. J. Dunstan, and

Resolved. That the report of the special Committee on Card Index be received and adopted.

R.W. Bro. W. D. McPherson gave notice that, at the session of Grand Lodge on the following day, he would move that the sum of \$1,000.00 be appropriated to install a card index system of registration in the Grand Secretary's office.

NOTICE OF MOTION

Notice was given by M.W. Bro. E. T. Malone that at the session of Grand Lodge on the following day, July 18th, he would move:

That a re-arrangement of the present existing districts be made as follows:

That Georgian District Number Nine (9) shall consist of the following lodges:

Simcoe No. 79, Bradford.	Northern Light No. 266, Stayner.
Manito No. 90, Collingwood.	Minerva No. 304, Stroud.
Corinthian No. 96, Barrie.	Georgian No. 348, Penetanguishene.
Pythagoras No. 137, Meaford.	Coronation No. 466, Elmvale.
Orillia No. 192, Orillia.	Victoria No. 470, Victoria Harbour.
Kerr No. 230, Barrie.	Karnak No. 492, Coldwater.
Beaver No. 234, Clarksburg.	
Caledonian No. 249, Midland.	

And that a new district be formed to be styled "Georgian District No. 9 A," or such other name as Grand Lodge may decide upon, consisting of the following lodges:

St. George's No. 88, Owen Sound.	Lorne No. 377, Shelburne.
Manitoba No. 236, Cookstown.	Spry Lodge No. 385, Beeton.
	Nitetic No. 444, Creemore.

Seven Star No. 285, Alliston.

Dundalk No. 449, Dundalk.

North Star No. 322, Owen
Sound.

Tottenham No. 467, Tottenham.

Hiram No. 490, Markdale.

Prince Arthur No. 333, Flesh-
erton.

NOMINATIONS

Nominations for election of Grand Officers and members of the Board of General Purposes for the ensuing year, and for the place of holding the next annual meeting of Grand Lodge were received.

CALLED OFF.

Grand Lodge was called from labour to refreshment at six o'clock p.m., to meet again at nine o'clock on July 18th.

SECOND DAY

Thursday, July 18th, 1912.

The Grand Lodge resumed labour at 10.20 o'clock a.m., M.W. Bro. Aubrey White, Grand Master, on the throne; Grand Officers, members and representatives present.

The list of nominations for the election of Grand Lodge Officers and members of the Board of General Purposes for the ensuing year, and for the place of holding the next annual meeting, were read by the the Grand Secretary.

SCRUTINEERS OF THE BALLOT.

The M.W. the Grand Master appointed the following Scrutineers of the ballot for Grand Officers and elective members of the Board of General Purposes and directed them to collect the ballot and to report the result to Grand Lodge:

R.W. Bro. G. R. Lloyd, Lodge of Strict Observance No. 27, Hamilton, Chairman; W. Bros. E. J. Repath, A. H. Loughheed, L. Davies, Harmony Lodge No. 438, Toronto; J. W. Dunlop, J. C. Arlidge, St. Andrew's Lodge No. 16, Toronto; W. R. Henderson, Plattsville Lodge No. 178, Plattsville; A. T. Lawlor, Composite Lodge No. 30, Whitby; E. A. Lewis, Wilson Lodge No. 86, Toronto; J. E. Francis, Patterson Lodge No. 265, Thornhill; R. W. Hull, York Lodge No. 156, N. Toronto; Rev. T. W. M. Goodwill, Cobden Lodge No. 459, Cobden; J. W. Anderson, Faithful Brethren Lodge No. 77, Lindsay; W. P. Holmes, St. George's Lodge No. 15, St. Catharines; C. M. Bartram, Dorie Lodge No. 58, Ottawa; W. S. Leach, R. L. Shriner, Occident Lodge No. 346, Toronto; J. B. Shurie, Star in the East Lodge No. 164, Wellington; W. H. Woodstock, Stevenson Lodge No. 218, Toronto; H. J. Langley, St. John's Lodge No. 75, Toronto; Angus Graham, Tecumseh Lodge No. 245, Thamesville; J. T. Couch, Orient Lodge No. 339, Toronto; H. G. Whiting, Craig Lodge No. 401, Deseronto; A. B. Clark, Dorie Lodge No. 382, Hamilton; J. J. Dyer, Kilwinning Lodge No. 64, London; J. W. Verrall, Wellington Lodge No. 46, Chatham; John Brennen, St. George Lodge No. 367, Toronto; John J. Walsh, Dalhousie Lodge No. 52, Ottawa; R. H. McKerihen, W. R. Ledger, Alpha Lodge No. 384, Toronto; L. A. Willson, Riverdale Lodge No. 494, Toronto; W. M. Miskelly, University Lodge No. 496, Toronto; John Tanner, King Solomon's Lodge No. 22, Toronto.

ADOPTION OF REPORTS.

It was moved by R.W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, seconded by R.W. Bro. G. S. May, and

Resolved, That the report of the Board on Audit and Finance be adopted.

It was moved by R.W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, seconded by M.W. Bro. J. E. Harding, and

Resolved, That the report of the Board on Benevolence be adopted.

It was moved by R.W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, seconded by R.W. Bro. R. H. Revell, and

Resolved, That the report of the Committee on Credentials be adopted.

TELEGRAMS OF REGRET.

A cablegram was received from London, England, conveying the fraternal greetings of R.W. Bro. W. N. Ponton, Chairman of the Committee on the Condition of Masonry.

The M.W. the Grand Master announced that he had received a telegram from M.W. Bro. James H. Thompson, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Michigan expressing regret that he was unable to accept the invitation of M.W. Bro. Aubrey White, G.M., to attend the present meeting of this Grand Lodge, and offering the cordial greetings of the Michigan brethren.

NOTICES OF MOTION.

It was moved by M.W. Bro. E. T. Malone, seconded by R.W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, and

Resolved, That a re-arrangement of the present existing districts be made as follows:

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Prince Arthur No. 333, Flesherton.	Tottenham No. 467, Tottenham.
	Hiram No. 490, Markdale.

It was moved by R.W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, seconded by R.W. Bro. G. S. May, and

Resolved, That the sum of \$1,000.00 be appropriated toward the installation of a "Card Index" system in the Grand Secretary's office in connection with the registration of members.

REPORT OF THE BOARD ON CONCURRENT JURISDICTION.

R.W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, Deputy Grand Master, presented a supplementary report of the Board on an application by Bismarck Lodge No. 419, Point Edward, at the present meeting in the town of Sarnia, for concurrent jurisdiction with the lodges in Sarnia, which application was supported by resolutions passed in Victoria Lodge No. 56, Sarnia, and Tuscan Lodge No. 437, Sarnia.

The Board recommended that the request be concurred in, and that Victoria Lodge No. 56, Bismarck Lodge No. 419 and Tuscan Lodge No. 437, shall have concurrent jurisdiction.

It was moved by R.W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, seconded by M.W. Bro. A. T. Freed, and

Resolved, That the supplementary report of the Board on Concurrent Jurisdiction be received and adopted.

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON PRESENTATION OF A TESTIMONIAL TO M.W. BRO. D. F. MACWATT, PAST GRAND MASTER.

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master and the Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario:

Your Committee appointed at the last communication of Grand Lodge to present the retiring Grand Master, M.W. Bro. D. F. Macwatt, with a testimonial to mark the appreciation of Grand Lodge for the efficient manner in which the distinguished brother conducted the affairs of Grand Lodge during the two years he occupied the Grand East, beg to report their performance of the pleasing duty at the regular meeting of Zetland Lodge No. 326, Toronto, in the month of October, 1911, by presenting him with a suitable and acceptable testimonial accompanied by an address, of which the following is a copy:

To His Honor Daniel Fraser Macwatt, Past Grand Master, Grand Lodge A.F. and A.M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario:

M.W. SIR AND BRO:—

The Grand Lodge, at its last Annual Meeting appointed the undersigned a Committee to procure and present to you a fitting testimonial, in order to show the appreciation of your brethren

for the faithful, earnest and successful performance of your duty as Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada in Ontario, during the two years that you filled that important office.

The duty imposed by Grand Lodge has been a particularly pleasant one to each member of the Committee, who have known and have been closely associated with you during many years at the Board of General Purposes and during your term as Grand Master.

They cannot let this opportunity pass without referring to your earnest and successful efforts in securing the payment of the Semi-Centennial Fund, which was prior to your term coming in very slowly indeed, but has been nearly completed during your term of office, the sum of \$93,439.46 having been paid in and is now invested in first-class securities. It must be a matter of supreme satisfaction to you to feel that through your efforts so many of our beneficiaries will be benefited. That you have ably, honestly and efficiently discharged the many important duties pertaining to the office of Grand Master is admitted by all your brethren throughout the jurisdiction, and by none more cheerfully than the members of this Committee.

It is the sincere hope of the Committee and of your brethren of the Craft, that you may be long spared to assist with your counsel and advice at many meetings of Grand Lodge.

The Committee pray that the Great Architect of the Universe may shower upon you and those nearest and dearest to you, all the blessings of this life and the life to come. The Committee, on behalf of and in the name of Grand Lodge, ask you to accept the accompanying testimonial.

Respectfully and fraternally yours,

JOHN E. HARDING,
E. T. MALONE,
A. T. FREED.

To which address the M.W. Bro. replied in eloquent and feeling terms.

Fraternally submitted,

JOHN E. HARDING,
E. T. MALONE,
A. T. FREED.

Committee.

It was moved by M.W. Bro. E. T. Malone, seconded by M.W. J. E. Harding, and

Resolved, That the report of the Special Committee on the presentation of a testimonial to M.W. Bro. D. F. Macwatt, Past Grand Master, be received and adopted.

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON THE GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members of Grand Lodge:

M.W. SIR AND BRETHREN:—

Your committee appointed to consider the address of the Grand Master beg leave to present their report.

The members of the committee note with satisfaction that the Grand Master acknowledges the dependence of our Order upon the Great Architect of the Universe and expresses gratitude to Him for the manifold blessings which have been vouchsafed us during the past year. This reverent and humble recognition of the Power which has guided us is characteristic of Masons, and it cannot be doubted that, so long as we endeavour to obey the Divine Grand Master and do His will, His mercy will continue to be bestowed upon us.

The brethren of this Grand Lodge, and of the lodges throughout the jurisdiction, will unite with the Grand Master in holding that our Dominion is fortunate in having for its Governor-General so wise a counsellor, so distinguished a Mason and so noble a Prince as His Royal Highness, the Duke of Connaught. As patriotic sentiment binds us by strong ties to the mother country, we cannot doubt that the presence in Canada of His Royal Highness will strengthen our devotion to the great empire of which Canada forms so considerable a part.

While the Grand Master is properly grateful for the fact that no member of his official household has been taken away by death during the year, the brethren will join with him in deploring the loss of those who, if they have not been able to devote much time and ability to the service of our Craft, have been eminent in the country's councils and useful in the public service. We should give them honour because they have adorned our Order, have lived honourable lives and have served well the common weal.

We unite with the Grand Master in expressing gratitude to the brethren for having so nearly paid their contributions to the Semi-Centennial Fund. We may point out, however, that the fund will not be completed when the sum of one hundred thousand dollars is paid in, but when the brethren of each lodge shall have paid the sums apportioned to the several bodies. We trust that none will consider themselves exempt from payment because others have given more than the quota assigned to them.

The Grand Master has wisely encouraged the holding of Lodges of Instruction, and has given them the benefit of his presence when possible. The value of Lodges of Instruction is so great that we congratulate the Grand Master on his activity and zeal in giving them encouragement. His presence is not only an incentive to the brethren, but his experience enables him to note and correct divergencies of practice and differences in detail which may creep into the work in different parts of the jurisdiction.

Grand Lodge is to be congratulated upon the fact that the Grand Master has so zealously guarded its interests as a body when granting dispensations for the formation of new lodges. He has not listened to the pleadings of zealous, but injudicious brethren, nor thought of the desires of the ambitious, but has weighed the interests of the Craft in general, before sanctioning the formation of new Masonic units. His thoughtful prudence in this respect must command the approval of the members of this Grand Lodge.

We note with satisfaction that the Grand Master has ap-

pointed representatives near other Grand Lodges and has recommended the appointment of distinguished brethren as representatives of foreign bodies near this Grand Lodge. We may be permitted, however, to point out that the brethren who have been appointed Grand Representatives have had a great honour conferred upon them, and they should give evidence that they appreciate that honour by their presence at the annual communications of this Grand Lodge when it is possible for them to attend.

We rejoice with the Grand Master because the finances of Grand Lodge are in such a flourishing shape and most heartily approve his expressions of appreciation and praise of our most able, zealous and valued Grand Treasurer.

It is highly satisfactory to note that Grand Lodge has been able to grant such liberal sums to relieve the necessities of the aged, the indigent and the suffering. At the same time, we feel it to be our duty to repeat that Grand Lodge relief should be given only after private lodges have given to the extent of their ability. It has been repeatedly pointed out that Grand Lodge relief is only supplementary to the beneficences of the private lodges.

We cannot be too grateful for the fact that our Order has grown so rapidly during the past year in numbers and in the character of the material received, and we heartily agree with the Grand Master in giving a large measure of credit for that result to the active, energetic work of the District Deputy Grand Masters, who have so zealously and efficiently laboured to promote the general welfare.

Finally, we desire to congratulate the Craft in this jurisdiction because it has as its chief executive a brother so eminent for ability and zeal as Most Worshipful Brother Aubrey White. He has brought to the service of his brethren talents of a very high order, and he has spared not his time, his best thought, nor his strength in doing even more than the duties of his high office call upon him to do. Indeed, he has not been sufficiently careful of himself and we regret that he is now not in robust health because he has too zealously laboured in the service of his brethren. It is certain that all the brethren will unite with this committee in the fervent hope that the Divine favor may rest upon Brother White and give him guidance, support and strength.

Fraternally submitted,

A. T. FREED, *Chairman.*

J. M. GIBSON,

J. K. KERR,

J. H. BURRITT,

E. T. MALONE.

It was moved by R.W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, seconded by M.W. Bro. A. T. Freed, and

Resolved, That the report of the Special Committee on the Grand Master's address be received and adopted.

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS

The following brethren were nominated by representatives of lodges and Past Masters of the respective districts and were confirmed by the M.W., the Grand Master:

- R.W.Bro. W. A. Kelly, Florence, Erie District No. 1.
 “ D. D. Brodie, Forest, St. Clair District No. 2.
 “ P. C. Banghart, Dorchester, London District No. 3.
 “ Rev. D. W. Collins, Exeter, South Huron District No. 4.
 “ Geo. Spotton, Wingham, North Huron District No. 5.
 “ A. W. Cameron, Woodstock, Wilson District No. 6.
 “ Thomas Rafter, Arthur, Wellington District No. 7.
 “ W. H. Wardrope, K. C., Hamilton, Hamilton District No. 8.
 “ A. C. Adams, Midland, Georgian District No. 9.
 “ L. H. Cherry, Beeton, Georgian District No. 9A.
 “ James Waugh, Port Dalhousie, Niagara District No. 10.
 “ J. B. McLean, Maple, Toronto West District No. 11.
 “ G. A. M. Davidson, Markham, Toronto East District No. 11A.
 “ Neil L. Patterson, Woodville, Ontario District No. 12.
 “ Owen C. Watson, Campbellford, Prince Edward District No. 13.
 “ A. R. B. Williamson, Kingston, Frontenac District No. 14.
 “ Wm. Hyndman, Smith's Falls, St. Lawrence District No. 15.
 “ John C. Scott, Ottawa, Ottawa District No. 16.
 “ Frank B. Allen, Port Arthur, Algoma District No. 17.
 “ C. R. Reid, Sudbury, Nipissing District No. 18.
 “ A. S. Porter, Powassan, Muskoka District No. 19.
 “ Wm. Garfat, Port Hope, Otonabee District No. 20.
 “ R. T. Nicholson, Lancaster, Eastern District No. 21.

M.W. Bro. Aubrey White, G.M., installed and invested the newly-elected District Deputy Grand Masters (with the exception of R.W. Bro. Thomas Rafter, the D.D.G.M. elect of Wellington District No. 7) and they were duly proclaimed and saluted with Grand Honours. The retiring D.D.G.M. of Wellington District was authorized and instructed to install and invest R.W. Bro. Rafter at the earliest convenient date.

CALLED OFF.

Grand Lodge was called from labour at 11.50 o'clock a.m., to meet again at 12.30 o'clock p.m.

CALLED ON.

Grand Lodge resumed labour at 12.50 o'clock p.m.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

R.W. Bro. Griffith R. Lloyd, Chairman, on behalf of the Scrutineers of the Ballot, presented the following report of the names of the brethren elected to the several offices and to the Board of General Purposes:

M.W.Bro. Aubrey White, Toronto, Grand Master.
 R.W.Bro. W. D. McPherson, Toronto, Deputy Grand Master.
 R.W.Bro. W. N. Shaver, Toronto, Grand Senior Warden.
 R.W.Bro. Roger Miller, Ingersoll, Grand Junior Warden.
 R.W.Bro. Rev. W. M. Kannawin, Strathroy, Grand Chaplain.
 M.W.Bro. E. T. Malone, Toronto, Grand Treasurer.
 R.W.Bro. R. L. Gunn, Hamilton, Grand Secretary.
 R.W.Bro. James Dixon, Hamilton, Grand Registrar.

and by open vote of Grand Lodge:

Bro. W. H. Sproule, Ottawa, Grand Tyler.

BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES.

R.W.Bro. S. A. Luke, Ottawa.
 " John Hoodless, Hamilton.
 " Thos. Rowe, London.
 " A. J. Young, North Bay.
 " F. W. Harcourt, Toronto.
 " A. Shaw, Kingston, for one year.

Subsequently the M.W. the Grand Master was pleased to announce the following appointments on the Board for the ensuing term of two years:

R.W.Bro. J. E. Merriman, St. Catharines.
 " John B. Way, Sault Ste Marie.
 " B. S. Sheldon, Kingsville.
 " James Ross, Waterford.
 " E. A. Geiger, Brockville.

NEXT PLACE OF MEETING.

The city of Ottawa was chosen as the meeting place of the next Annual Communication of Grand Lodge.

M.W. Bro. Aubrey White, Grand Master, invested the newly-elected officers, who were proclaimed and saluted with the customary Grand Honours.

APPOINTED OFFICERS.

The M.W. the Grand Master was pleased to announce the following appointments to office for the ensuing year:

V.W.Bro. Wm. Anderson, Toronto, Grand Senior Deacon.
 " R. H. Dewar, Fruitland, Grand Junior Deacon.
 " P. W. Rogers, Toronto, Grand Director of Ceremonies.
 " F. R. Morrow, Peterborough, Asst. Grand Secretary.
 " Chas. Buskard, London, Asst. G. Dir. of Ceremonies.
 " A. R. Walker, Belleville, Grand Sword Bearer.

- V.W.Bro. S. B. Gray, Stratford, Grand Organist.
 “ Duncan Brown, Ottawa, Asst. Grand Organist.
 “ J. A. Montgomery, Toronto, Grand Supt. of Works.
 “ John P. Millar, Pembroke, Grand Pursuivant.

GRAND STEWARDS.

- V.W.Bro. J. F. Reid, Windsor.
 “ Chris. D. Taylor, Owen Sound.
 “ John Lampman, Wellandport.
 “ E. W. Moles, Norwich.
 “ H. C. Edgar, Preston.
 “ Rev. A. J. Bruce, Dryden.
 “ Duncan Warren, Brigden.
 “ Peter Bishop, Brussels.
 “ W. J. Shannon, Napanee.
 “ W. R. Collier, Maitland.
 “ J. B. Nixon, Sturgeon Falls.
 “ A. S. Morrison, Chesterville.

GRAND STANDARD BEARERS.

- “ E. W. Drew, Oshawa.
 “ W. F. Wasley, Gravenhurst.

VOTES OF THANKS.

It was moved by M.W. Bro. A. T. Freed, seconded by M.W. Bro. J. E. Harding, and

Resolved, That the officers and members of Grand Lodge desire to tender to His Worship, the Acting Mayor and to the Controllors and Aldermen of the city of Toronto, their cordial thanks for the kindness and hospitable welcome extended to the members, also to the ruling Masters and brethren of Toronto for the hospitality and attention with which they had been received during this Communication.

It was moved by R.W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, seconded by R.W. Bro. J. G. Liddell, and

Resolved, That Grand Lodge extends to Commodore Æmilius Jarvis and the officers of the Royal Canadian Yacht Club, its great appreciation of the privileges which have been placed at the disposal of the members and of the warmth of the welcome with which they have been offered.

It was moved by M.W. Bro. E. T. Malone, seconded by R.W. Bro. W. D. McPherson, and

Resolved, That the officers and members of Grand Lodge, with a profound sense of the honour conferred on them, wish to thank most warmly Sir William Meredith, Chancellor, and the Governors of the Toronto University, for their kindness in placing their beautiful Convocation Hall at the disposal of Grand Lodge during the present Annual Communication.

It was moved by R.W. Bro. J. E. Merriman, seconded by R.W. Bro. W. J. Drope, and

Resolved, That the thanks of Grand Lodge are due and are hereby tendered to the Committee on Credentials and the Scr-

tineers of the Ballot, for the valuable services rendered by them at this Annual Communication.

INSTRUCTION OF D.D.G.Ms.

The M.W. the Grand Master announced that M.W. Bro. E. T. Malone would instruct the newly installed District Deputy Grand Masters in the secret work, and in the duties of their office generally.

The Grand Chaplain then invoked the blessing of the Most High upon the members of Grand Lodge during the coming recess.

THE GRAND LODGE CLOSED.

The business of Grand Lodge being ended, it was closed at 1.40 o'clock p.m.

Attest.



R. G. G. G.
Grand Secretary.

RETURNS OF LODGES AS AT JUNE 24, 1913

Also Receipts From Lodges for the Year Ended 31st

Lodges marked (a) hold their Installation of Officers on or near the Festival

No. of Lodge	Lodge	Where Held	Night of Meeting	W. Master	Secretary
2	aNiagara	Niagara	W. on or b.f.m.	F. J. Rowland	J. H. Brown
3	aAnct. St. John's.	Kingston	1st Thursday	P. H. Burke	A. W. Cathcart
5	aSussex	Brockville	3rd Monday	W. T. Rogers	Geo. K. Dewey
6	aBarton	Hamilton	2nd Wednesday	S. S. Beatty	W. H. F. Whateley
7	aUnion	Grimsby	Thu. on or b.f.m.	Wm. Mitchell	A. E. Phipps
9	aUnion	Napanee	Fri. on or b.f.m.	C. M. Stratton	W. J. Shannon
10	aNorfolk	Simcoe	Tue. on or b.f.m.	John Porter	R. E. Guntton
11	aMoirs	Belleville	W. on or b.f.m.	John McIntosh	John Newton
14	aTrue Britons	Perth	1st Monday	R. E. Hicks	F. V. Buffam
15	aSt. George's	St. Catharines	Tue. on or b.f.m.	W. P. Holmes	A. N. Lindsay
16	aSt. Andrew's	Toronto	2nd Tuesday	F. G. Anderson	J. D. Keachie
17	aSt. John's	Cobourg	Tue. on or b.f.m.	A. J. Gould	Robt. Buck
18	aPrince Edward	Pictou	Thu. on or b.f.m.	F. E. Leavitt	R. H. Hubbs
20	aSt. John's	London	2nd Tuesday	F. B. Gidley	J. O. Weldon
21	aSt. John's	Vankleek Hill	Tue. on or b.f.m.	E. H. Elvidge	J. L. Mitchener
22	aKing Solomon's	Toronto	2nd Thursday	J. McL. Hartley	W. H. Roberts
23	aRichmond	Richmond Hill	Mo. on or b.f.m.	E. M. Byrne	H. A. Nicholls
24	aSt. Francis	Smith's Falls	Fri. on or b.f.m.	E. H. Wickware	G. W. Flucker
25	aIonic	Toronto	1st Tuesday	E. N. Armour	Geo. E. Evans
26	aOntario	Port Hope	3rd Friday	H. A. Fortner	W. J. Robertson
27	aStrict Observance	Hamilton	3rd Friday	Wm. J. Elliott	Wm. C. Morton
28	aMt. Zion	Kemptville	Wed. b.f.m.	A. Langstaff	S. H. Guest
29	aUnited	Brighton	Tue. on or b.f.m.	Alfred Bedal	B. C. H. Becke
30	aComposite	Whitby	1st Thursday	J. I. Paxton	G. A. Whitelaw
31	aJerusalem	Bowmanville	W. on or b.f.m.	A. W. Mingeand	J. S. Moorecraft
32	aAmity	Dunnville	W. on or b.f.m.	Geo. E. McGuire	W. D. Patterson
33	aMaitland	Goderich	2nd Tuesday	H. C. Dunlop	John Straiton
34	aThistle	Amherstburg	Tue. on or b.f.m.	F. J. Mahoney	A. E. Wright
35	aSt. John's	Cayuga	Thu. on or b.f.m.	Omer Aspdren	J. W. Sheppard
37	aKing Hiram	Ingersoll	1st Friday	A. S. Crawford	R. T. Agar
38	aTrent	Trenton	Tuesday b.f.m.	S. Pem Peck	W. J. Potts
39	aMt. Zion	Brooklyn	Tue. on or b.f.m.	Jos. Johnston	John J. Moore
40	aSt. John's	Hamilton	3rd Thursday	Geo. A. Turner	W. J. McAllister
41	aSt. George's	Kingsville	Thu. on or b.f.m.	G. N. J. Hoover	Geo. S. Goodeve
42	aSt. George's	London	1st Thursday	Angus Elliott	A. Ellis
43	aKing Solomon's	Woodstock	1st Tuesday	R. L. Revell	A. McGachle
44	aSt. Thomas	St. Thomas	1st Thursday	F. J. M. Bond	John Henning
45	aBrant	Brantford	1st Tuesday	G. H. Ryerson	Geo. Whitwill
46	aWellington	Chatham	1st Monday	F. W. Poile	Alex. Gregory
47	aGreat Western	Windsor	Thu. on or b.f.m.	W. J. Douglas	John Fry
48	aMadoc	Madoc	Tue. on or b.f.m.	G. F. Wright	L. F. Morrice
50	aConsecon	Consecon	Fri. on or b.f.m.	D. W. Robinson	Chas. Carter
52	aDalhousie	Ottawa	1st Tuesday	John J. Walsh	H. W. Jackson
54	aVaughan	Maple	Tue. on or b.f.m.	Jas. T. Pollock	W. D. McDonald
55	aMerrickville	Merrickville	Tue. on or b.f.m.	Geo. H. Bagley	G. R. Putnam
56	aVictoria	Sarnia	1st Tuesday	J. R. Polley	F. C. Watson
57	aHarmony	Binbrook	W. on or b.f.m.	Hugh Johnson	E. J. Whitworth
58	aDoric	Ottawa	1st Friday	C. M. Bartram	A. G. Greenfield
61	aAcacia	Hamilton	2nd Friday	W. H. Ginder	C. E. Kelly
62	aSt. Andrew's	Caledonia	W. on or b.f.m.	R. J. Cranston	John Thompson
63	aSt. John's	Carleton Place	2nd Wednesday	J. A. McLaren	A. T. Hudson
64	aKilwinning	London	3rd Friday	John J. Dyer	R. W. Glover
65	aRehoboam	Toronto	1st Thursday	J. W. Archibald	Geo. H. Mitchell
66	aDurham	Newcastle	Tue. on or b.f.m.	F. W. Fligg	W. H. Anderson
68	aSt. John's	Ingersoll	3rd Friday	F. P. Leake	S. M. Douglas
69	aStirling	Stirling	Thursday a.f.m.	J. M. Potts	G. W. Bailey
72	aAlma	Galt	Last Tuesday	R. L. Biggs	A. J. Oliver
73	aSt. James	St. Mary's	1st Monday	W. C. Treacy	A. Carman
74	aSt. James	S. Augusta	Mo. nearest f.m.	H. H. Throop	L. E. Shepherd
75	aSt. John's	Toronto	1st Monday	J. M. Owston	E. S. Calder

1912, AND LAST RETURNS RECEIVED

May, 1912, and Ledger Balances at That Date.

of St. John the Evangelist, all others on or near that of St. John the Baptist.

No. of Lodge	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Joined	With- drawn	Deaths	Suspend- ed, N.P.D.	Suspend- ed, U.M.C.	Expelled	Restored	Total Members	Last Returns	Year ending May 31, 1912		
													Paid Grand Lodge	Ledger	
														Dr. Bal.	Cr. Bal.
2	6	9	10	1	1	1	4				96	June, '12	\$ 79 25	\$	\$
12	6		7	1	1	1				2	207	"	158 25		
5	14	12	18	12	12	3					272	"	173 75	4 25	
6	15	18	17	8	7	4					422	"	254 75	5 00	
7	15	16	16	3	3	1	1				135	"	168 00		
9	1	2	1	1							140	Dec., '11	102 00	2 00	
10	3	5	5								136	June, '12	80 25		25
11	27	27	29	3	5					5	289	"	209 25	3 00	
14	9	6	5								131	Dec., '11	44 75		
15	17	13	11	5	1	3					120	June, '12	68 90	5 10	
16	23	21	16	6	3	3	1			1	423	"	436 00	9 75	
17	7	6	5	1	1	2					133	"	136 00		
18	8	8	6	1	2	4					234	"	140 25		
20	15	10	10	1	4	2				1	266	Dec., '11	163 25		
21a	2	3	3	2	1						73	June, '12	62 50		
22	21	17	19	3	1	7					316	"	193 50	6 25	
23	3	3	3								52	"	30 75		
24	15	9	6	3	3		3				157	"	114 00		
25	13	10	5	4	3	8	2				293	"	137 50		
26	13	13	11	1	1	1					151	"	115 37		
27	18	14	16	1	4	7	2			1	409	"	237 75		
28	6	6	5	2	3						74	"	57 85	6 50	
29	9	4	1		6	3	2				115	"	77 85	2 00	
30	12	2	2	1	1	1	3				77	"	51 75	3 00	
31	7	4	4	3	1	1					121	"	89 80	1 00	
32	7	2	2	1	1	4	4				138	Dec., '11	120 00		
33	8	7	9	3	1	1					165	June, '12	121 25	1 00	
34	6	5	5	1							114	"	72 50	2 50	
35	8	8	7	1	4	1					84	"	62 75		
37	9	7	6	1	1						147	"	96 25	1 50	
38	5	9	6	1	3	3				1	129	"	81 65		
39	4	5	3								59	Dec., '11	44 00	1 25	
40	23	24	17	4	2	6	3				482	June, '11	304 25		
41	9	7	5	1	1						124	June, '12	87 25	1 00	
42	15	13	2	3	2	4				1	168	"	118 75		
43	40	26	22	2	3	4				4	269	"	197 25		
44	14	12	19	12	5	3	1			1	338	"	242 00		50
45	18	11	15	6	6	5	10	1		4	305	"	201 00	6 60	
46	8	10	13	3	3					1	228	Dec., '11	153 75		
47	26	22	17	9	7	5				1	464	June, '12	279 55	9 60	
48	6	4	3	1	1	3				1	122	"	73 50		
50	6	6	6		1	1				1	57	"	30 00	50	
52	17	19	22	1	2	4					311	"	320 50	25	
54	1	1	1								43	"	30 50	6 50	
55	6	4	4	1		2	4			1	96	"	53 50		
56	12	11		4	5					1	227	"	135 00	25	
57	11	9	9	1						3	75	"	61 50		
58	3	6	12	4	3		3				192	"	123 50		
61	30	23	22	3	5	6	3				465	"	280 25	6 00	
62	13	12	11	3		2					77	"	72 70		
63	14	14	13	2	2	3					175	"	118 50	2 80	
64	8	9	12	2	2	2	1			1	230	"	175 25		
65	19	20	19	3	2	1	3			2	461	"	280 00		
66	5	4	7	2		1					58	"	38 00		
68	6	8	9								105	"	77 75		
69	10	10	12	3	3	4				1	89	"	75 25		
72	14	9	12	2		1	1			1	170	"	55 00	4 50	
73	3	3	4		1	3					94	Dec., '11	64 00		
74	11	10	8								84	June, '12	53 50		
75	12	8	6	6	4	6	4			2	299	"	137 75		2 00

RETURNS OF LODGES AT JUNE 24, 191

No. of Lodge	Lodge	Where Held	Night of Meeting	W. Master	Secretary
76	aOxford	Woodstock	2nd Monday	T. McClenaghan	J. W. Dutton
77	aFaithful Brethren	Lindsay	1st Friday	J. W. Anderson	R. G. Cornell
78	aKing Hiram	Tillsonburg	W. on or b.f.m.	Geo. H. Hollier	H. McQueen
79	aSimcoe	Bradford	4th Monday	T. E. Bell	T. W. McConk
81	aSt. John's	Mt. Brydges	Tue. on or b.f.m.	J. R. Waters	Thos. C. West
82	St. John's	Paris	2nd Tuesday	W. J. Wylie	P. Buckley
83	aBeaver	Strathroy	Fri. on or a.f.m.	S. S. Donaldson	R. F. Richards
84	Clinton	Clinton	Fri. on or a.f.m.	H. W. Gould	H. B. Chant
85	aRising Sun	Athens	Thu. on or b.f.m.	E. S. Clow	I. C. Alguire
86	aWilson	Toronto	3rd Tuesday	E. A. Lewis	John B. Mill
87	Markham Union	Markham	Fri. on or b.f.m.	R. W. Groves	R. M. Stewart
88	St. George's	Owen Sound	Wed. b.f.m.	Wm. C. Pitts	J. M. Campbe
90	aManito	Collingwood	W. on or a.f.m.	A. W. Lawrence	W. T. Herringt
91	aColborne	Colborne	Fri. on or b.f.m.	R. L. W. Coxall	W. Bellamy
92	aCataraqui	Kingston	2nd Wednesday	J. E. Singleton	Robt. Hendry
93	Northern Light	Kincardine	1st Wednesday	Wm. J. Morrison	M. J. McPhers
94	aSt. Mark's	Port Stanley	2nd Tuesday	Geo. Shannon	Wm. Jackson
96	aCorinthian	Barrie	1st Thursday	F. R. Redditt	Alfred Wilkes
97	aSharon	Queensville	Tue. on or b.f.m.	C. W. Cole	Jas. M. Milne
98	True Blue	Bolton	Fri. on or a.f.m.	H. W. Shoemaker	Geo. A. Norton
99	aTuscan	Newmarket	2nd Wednesday	E. J. Hill	E. A. Boyd
100	Valley	Dundas	2nd Monday	W. J. Woods	F. A. Latshaw
101	aCorinthian	Peterborough	3rd Friday	F. D. Kerr	H. W. Morphe
103	aMaple Leaf	St. Catharines	Last Thursday	Wm. H. Horton	H. J. Johnsto
104	St. John's	Norwich	W. on or a.f.m.	N. Haight	G. W. Poldon
105	aSt. Mark's	Niagara Falls	Tue. on or b.f.m.	Ernest Pickard	R. Sloggett
106	aBurford	Burford	W. on or b.f.m.	E. A. Howey	Geo. Armstron
107	St. Paul's	Lambeth	W. on or b.f.m.	Jas. Love	H. Poole
108	Blenheim	Princeton	Fri. on or a.f.m.	D. M. Sutherland	F. J. Daniel
109	aAlbion	Harrowsmith	Fri. on or b.f.m.	John Watt	J. T. McKim
110	aCentral	Prescott	1st Tuesday	A. S. Hunter	John F. Grah
113	aWilson	Waterford	W. on or b.f.m.	G. A. Limage	R. D. Gibson
114	aHope	Port Hope	1st Friday	F. W. Spangler	Thos. H. Bell
115	alvy	Beamsville	Tue. on or b.f.m.	S. J. Wilson	John P. Osbor
116	aCassia	Thedford	Mo. on or b.f.m.	A. Rumford	A. E. Lloyd
118	Union	Schomberg	Mo. on or b.f.m.	J. A. Armstrong	H. H. Coffey
119	aMaple Leaf	Bath	Mo. on or b.f.m.	A. C. Huffman	F. W. Armstroi
120	Warren	Fingal	Tue. on or b.f.m.	H. J. Henderson	C. P. Silcox
121	aDoric	Brantford	3rd Friday	E. R. Secord	Jas. C. Spence
122	aRenfrew	Renfrew	1st Monday	W. H. Harris	M. McKinnon
123	aBelleville	Belleville	1st Thursday	W. O. Adams	D. Barragar
125	aCornwall	Cornwall	1st Wednesday	H. Black	John Ridley
126	aGolden Rule	Campbellford	Tue. on or b.f.m.	R. Bonnycastle	Wesley Stephe
127	aFranck	Frankford	Monday b.f.m.	J. H. Silks	F. R. Mallory
128	aPembroke	Pembroke	1st Thursday	J. C. Hunter	J. E. Wallace
129	Rising Sun	Aurora	1st Friday	S. C. Taylor	Fred Baldwin
131	aSt. Lawrence	Southampton	Tue. on or b.f.m.	Alton Huber	John McVittie
133	aLebanon Forest	Exeter	Mo. on or b.f.m.	W. D. Sanders	W. J. Heaman
135	aSt. Clair	Milton	Thu. on or b.f.m.	John Irving	Alex. Armstroi
136	Richardson	Stouffville	Thu. on or b.f.m.	E. S. Barker	W. J. Thompse
137	aPythagoras	Meaford	Fri. nearest f.m.	W. C. Willson	F. A. Clarke
139	Lebanon	Oshawa	2nd Tuesday	W. J. Holland	W. E. N. Sincla
140	aMalahide	Aylmer	W. on or b.f.m.	D. N. McGregor	J. R. Woods
141	aTudor	Mitchell	Tue. on or b.f.m.	W. C. Stringer	A. J. Blowes
142	aExcelsior	Morrisburg	Fri. on or b.f.m.	C. W. Marsh	E. A. Herring
143	aFriendly Brothers	Iroquois	Wed. b.f.m.	Geo. A. Bouck	S. W. Wood
144	aTecumseh	Stratford	3rd Friday	F. A. Copus	F. S. Smith
145	aJ. B. Hall	Millbrook	Thu. on or b.f.m.	T. A. Campbell	Chas. Thorndyl
146	aPrince of Wales	Newburgh	Wed. b.f.m.	W. J. Wilde	J. K. Fraser
147	aMississippi	Almonte	1st Friday	Samuel Davis	W. S. Boyd
148	aCivil Service	Ottawa	2nd Tuesday	A. W. Mackay	J. F. Davey
149	aErie	Port Dover	Mo. on or b.f.m.	W. J. Thompson	S. L. Butler
151	aGrand River	Berlin	2nd Tuesday	W. M. Leochad	L. Norman
153	aBurns	Wyoming	Thu. on or b.f.m.	Wm. Culbert	R. Coghlan

AND LAST RETURNS RECEIVED—Continued

No. of Lodge	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Joined	With-drawn	Deaths	Suspend., N.P.D.	Suspend., U.M.C.	Expelled	Restored	Total Members	Last Returns	Year ending May 31, 1912		
													Paid Grand Lodge	Ledger	
														Dr. Bal.	Cr. Bal.
76	13	11	11	1	1	3	16				209	"	150 25		
77	18	10	4	1	1	1				1	228	"	153 00		
78	12	11	17	3	1	5	1			1	171	"	100 25		
79	6	4	3	1							78	"	55 25	4 50	
81					1	1			1	1	91	"	47 00	1 00	
82	5	5	9		5	1	3				99	"	79 75		
83	9	7	9	5	2	3					124	June, '12	87 00		
84	1	2	2	1			1				88	"	54 50		
85	1	1									72	Dec., '11	42 00		
86	14	12	18	1	4	12	4				351	June, '12	203 75	1 00	
87	5	7	8	1	1	1					90	"	79 20		
88	13	12	13	1	3	3	3				180	"	126 25		2 25
90											137	"	84 00	13 25	
91	7	6	4	3	4	3				4	100	"	65 50		3 00
92		6				3					216	Dec., '11	209 50		25
93	5	4	7	1	2	3	4			1	112	June, '12	73 00		
94					1					2	67	"	38 75		
96	8	7	8	1		1					204	"	119 00	1 00	
97	5	6				5					73	"	62 75		
98	12	2	12								57	Dec., '11	44 75		25
99	1				5						70	June, '12	27 00	2 00	
100	15	11	12	3	3	1				1	175	"	117 65		
101	12	16	15	2	2	2					176	"	120 00	3 25	
103	28	29	29	4	1	1	3			1	209	"	160 50		
104	8	4	6		2	12					106	"	68 75		
105	15	12	13				3	1			152	"	101 50		
106		1			4	1				1	72	"	50 00		50
107	5	6	4							1	75	"	24 75	18 75	
108	3	2	2								48	"	37 50	3 00	
109	5	5	4		1	1	3			1	83	"	54 25		
110	15	15	13		1	3					127	"	85 75	2 75	
113	4	3	2		4		3			3	143	"	82 25		
114	16	15	14			1				1	165	"	109 00		
115	5	5	3	3	3	12	7	1			126	"	80 75		
116	2	1	1		2						45	"	31 00	1 00	
118	2	3	2								59	"	55 50		7 00
119	4	5	6								70	"	49 50		
120	2	5									53	"	40 00		3 00
121	28	20	22	4	1	3					495	"	290 00	8 00	
122	10	11	11		1	2	2			3	131	June, '12	97 00		
123	15	13	16	2	3	3	1				237	"	168 25		
125	5	5	3		1	1	1			1	121	"	81 75		
126	7	6	6		1	1	1	1			88	"	63 75	3 00	
127	9	5	3	1	2	2	1			1	105	"	71 25	7 25	
128	12	10	9	3	1	1	8			2	162	"	105 75	1 00	
129	4	4	3	1	1	4	1				74	"	128 90		3 75
131	6	4	3		1	4	4				77	"	55 50	3 00	
133		2	3	1	1	1	1				101	"	74 00	1 50	
135		4	3	2	1		4			1	109	"	77 00		
136	5	4	3	1		5					60	"	56 25	5 00	
137	3	3	3			2					122	"	73 50	50	
139	8	9	9	4	2						132	"	100 00		
140	6	4	1	3	1	1	1				119	"	84 75	5 00	
141	11	9	4	1	1	1	1	1			65	Dec., '11	87 00		1 00
142	2	2	2		2	3	6			3	70	June, '12	53 75	25	
143	3	3			2	2					96	"	80 25		
144	15	12	20	12		12	7			2	239	"	185 15	4 00	
145		1	1								58	Dec., '11	28 00	50	
146	4	4	3								66	June, '12	49 00		
147	3	4	4	2				1			98	"	66 85	25	
148	10	6	8	4	2	2					199	"	153 75		
149											74	Dec., '11	28 75	18 75	
151	5	6	5	3	7	1	2		1		206	June, '12	131 50		3 00
153	4	3			2	1					110	"	82 50		

RETURNS OF LODGES AT JUNE 24, 1912,

No. of Lodge	Lodge	Where Held	Night of Meeting	W. Master	Secretary
154	alrving	Lucan	Thu. on or b.f.m.	H. J. Hodgins.	C. K. Haskett.
155	aPeterborough	Peterborough	1st Friday	A. Davidson	W. H. Walkey
156	aYork	N. Toronto	3rd Friday	J. T. Watson	A. H. Army
157	Simpson	Newboro	Tue. on or b.f.m.	John E. Dier	Jos. H. Butler
158	aAlexandra	Oil Springs	Thursday a.f.m.	John Sauvey	W. S. Duggan
159	aGoodwood	Richmond	Tue. on or b.f.m.	J. J. Danby	R. H. Grant
161	aPercy	Warkworth	Wed. b.f.m.	Geo. McCleary	P. S. Ewing
162	Forest	Wroxeter	Mo. on or b.f.m.	D. D. Sanderson	Thos. Brown
164	aStar in the East	Wellington	Tue. on or b.f.m.	J. S. Shurie	H. D. Cleminson
165	aBurlington	Burlington	W. on or b.f.m.	H. A. Graham	H. M. Pettit
166	aWentworth	Stoney Creek	Mo. on or b.f.m.	J. J. Foran	R. H. Dewar
168	aMerritt	Welland	Mo. on or b.f.m.	R. L. Hamilton	H. E. Dawdy
169	aMacnab	Port Colborne	Tue. on or b.f.m.	Wm. Bowden	John Cook
170	aBritannia	Seaforth	1st Monday	J. A. Case	L. C. Jackson
171	aPrince of Wales	Lawrence Statin	Fri. on or b.f.m.	A. Turner	J. D. Galbraith
172	Ayr	Ayr	Tue. on or a.f.m.	A. R. Robertson	J. P. Wylie
174	aWalsingham	Port Rowan	Thu. on or b.f.m.	Frank Foster	Jas. Ryan
177	The Builders	Ottawa	2nd Friday	D. A. Esdale	H. H. Cairns
178	aPlattsville	Plattsville	Fri. on or b.f.m.	A. L. Currah	W.R. Henderson
180	aSpeed	Guelph	1st Friday	John Gould	W.G. Stephenson
181	aOriental	Port Burwell	Tue. on or b.f.m.	G. Y. Emery	W. Hollywood
184	aOld Light	Lucknow	Thu. on or b.f.m.	D. R. McIntosh	W. A. Wilson
185	aEnniskillen	York	Mo. on or b.f.m.	Jos. Martindale	B. Bond
186	aPlantagenet	Plantagenet	Mo. on or b.f.m.	Wm. Franklin	Rev. A. Robertson
190	Belmont	Belmont	Fri. on or b.f.m.	John Ferguson	John F. Turner
192	aOrillia	Orillia	1st Friday	Erastus Long	G. A. Cole
193	aScotland	Scotland	Mo. on or b.f.m.	E. B. Muirhead	J. A. Messacar
194	aPetrolia	Petrolia	2nd Wednesday	Thos. Bicknell	Wm. Barrett
195	aTuscan	London	1st Monday	C. A. Whitwam	J. E. Magee
196	aMadawaska	Arnprior	2nd Monday	Arch. McNab	Hy. Newham
197	aSaugeen	Walkerton	2nd Tuesday	John Douglas	W. B. Thompson
200	St. Alban's	Mt. Forest	Fri. on or b.f.m.	J. W. Taylor	M. O. McGregor
201	aLeeds	Gananoque	Tue. on or b.f.m.	J. A. Black	A. B. Munro
203	Irvine	Elora	3rd Friday	W. E. Broley	Hy. Clark
205	New Dominion	New Hamburg	Mo. on or b.f.m.	J. Callanan	S. G. Holley
207	aLancaster	Lancaster	Tue. on or b.f.m.	J. A. McMillan	W. N. McGillis
209a	aSt. John's	London	1st Friday	Fred Palmer	J.E. Keenleyside
209	Evergreen	Lanark	1st Tuesday	David McLaren	C. M. Forbes
212	aElysian	Garden Island	1st Monday	John Kennedy	Rollie Mullin
215	Lake	Ameliasburg	Mo. on or b.f.m.	R. H. Fox	Jas. E. Glenn
216	aHarris	Orangeville	Tue. on or b.f.m.	E. H. Sproule	D. McPherson
217	aFrederick	Delhi	Mo. on or b.f.m.	Geo. E. Quance	Arthur Gerhard
218	aStevenson	Toronto	2nd Monday	W. D. Sprinks	J. H. Horswell
219	aCredit	Georgetown	Fri. on or b.f.m.	Geo. Ford	G. C. Lawrence
220	Zeredatha	Uxbridge	Mo. on or b.f.m.	W. C. Shier	H. P. Cooke
221	aMountain	Thorold	W. on or b.f.m.	F. W. Moore	S. G. Gartley
222	aMarmora	Marmora	Mo. on or b.f.m.	T. E. Laycock	C. A. Blecker
223	aNorwood	Norwood	Mo. on or b.f.m.	J. F. Pearce	K. G. Thompson
224	aZurich	Hensall	Mo. on or b.f.m.	John Shepherd	Jas. Bonthron
225	aBernard	Listowel	Fri. on or b.f.m.	Noah Blackmore	J. J. Foster
228	aPrince Arthur	Odessa	Monday a.f.m.	H. W. Caton	Robt. Bennett
229	aIonic	Brampton	3rd Tuesday	J. R. Fallis	W. H. McFadden
230	Kerr	Barrie	3rd Friday	T. Crew	A. E. Stone
231	Lodge of Fidelity	Ottawa	3rd Tuesday	R. R. Farrow	W. A. Halliday
232	aCameron	Dutton	W. on or b.f.m.	Arch. Morrison	Arch. McCallum
233	Doric	Parkhill	Tue. on or b.f.m.	Geo. A. Fraser	A. B. Gilbert
234	aBeaver	Clarksburg	Tue. on or b.f.m.	T. E. Lord	J. H. Dickinson
235	Aldworth	Paisley	Fri. on or b.f.m.	P. G. P. Huston	H. B. Putnam
236	aManitoba	Cookstown	Tue. on or a.f.m.	Ed. Arnold	W. G. Mackay
237	Vienna	Vienna	Fri. on or b.f.m.	Geo. Vallee	S. S. Clutton
238	Havelock	Watford	Tuesday b.f.m.	H. K. Laird	Hy. R. Stuart
239	Tweed	Tweed	Fri. on or b.f.m.	J. J. Porritt	W. W. Garrett
242	aMacy	Mallorytown	Mo. on or b.f.m.	Geo. Guild	F. H. Mallory
243	aSt. George	St. George	Thu. on or b.f.m.	C. J. Hilliard	J. H. McNeilly

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No. of Lodge	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Joined	With- drawn	Deaths	Suspend., N.P.D.	Suspend., U.M.C.	Expelled	Restored	Total Members	Last Returns	Year ending May 31, 1912		
													Paid Grand Lodge	Ledger	
														Dr. Bal.	Cr. Bal.
154				1							86	"	114 70	3 00	
155				13							246	"	143 50		
156	10	11	14	33	1	1		6		1	214	"	154 25	3 50	
157					1	1		1			72	"	57 25		4 00
158	4	4	3								74	"	44 25	21 00	
159					1						93	"	56 50		1 00
161	3	3	4	4							81	"	59 50		
162	4	4	4	4							46	Dec., '11	42 00		
164	6	5	5	4	1						135	June, '12	93 50		
165	17	12	13								149	"	106 50	3 00	
166	12	12		1							130	"	81 50		
168	3	4	4			1					124	"	93 75		
169	10	6	3			1					94	"	57 50		50
170	9	8				1				1	108	"	88 50	1 00	
171	4	4	4								46	"	59 00	1 00	
172	1										51	"	32 00	25	
174	11	12									76	"	66 50		
177	29	25	27	5			1	6	1		258	"	296 50		
178	8	6	6				1				42	"	33 00	1 25	
180	6	4	4	1			1				110	"	114 75		
181	1		1			1		5			33	"	24 00		
184	9	9	9		1	1					105	"	87 75		
185											28	Dec., '11	29 00	11 50	
186	12	9				1					68	June, '12	50 45	3 50	
190	8	5	3								79	"	56 50	1 75	
192	18	21	12	3		4	1				226	"	157 25		
193	4	6	5			1					76	"	60 00		50
194	15	16	16	1		3					111	"	120 75	3 00	
195	8	7	10			1					112	"	77 50	3 00	
196	4	3	3							1	113	"	66 00	1 00	
197	3	2	2	1							77	"	34 75	1 50	
200	4	4	1			4	1				75	"	55 75	4 00	
201	28	21	10	1	1	6	7				193	"	138 00	50	
203	6	8	6								89	"	68 75	25	
205	1	1	1		1	1		1			37	"	29 75		25
207	10	8	7	1	1						109	"	83 00	5 00	
208a	15	14	9		3	5	1				340	"	215 00	1 00	
209	1		1			1					42	Dec., '11	45 25		
212			1								18	June, '12	17 50		
215	6		6	2	1	1					73	"	41 75	50	
216	14	5			2	1				1	167	"	99 00	9 00	
217				1							62	June, '12	42 50	66 25	
218	17	22	24	1		5	3				261	"	217 75		5 00
219	4	2			1						99	"	62 75	3 00	
220	2	4	1		1						88	"	61 90		
221	11	8	5		1						143	"	94 00		25
222	5	4	3			1					83	"	63 50		
223	6	6			1	1	4				95	"	77 75	7 25	
224	3	2	3	1	1						82	"	51 00		
225	8	9	10		1		1				104	"	75 25		
228	5	6	5							1	59	Dec., '11	54 00	4 00	
229	7	8	9	1			1				122	June, '12	87 50	2 25	
230	20	14	8	1	3		3				128	"	93 50	4 50	
231	7	4					3				240	"	174 50		
232	3	3		1		1			1	1	69	Dec., '11	57 00		3 50
233	5	2			5						68	June, '12	48 00		
234	12	5	5	1							82	Dec., '11	62 80		
235	1			3							75	June, '12	34 50	9 25	
236	3						1				70	"	47 90	4 50	
237	4				5	1					53	"	39 25		
238											74	Dec., '11	72 50	50	
239	10	5	3	3		1				1	122	June, '12	80 00	4 00	
242	3	3	1	1		1					94	"	49 75		25
243	4	4	4	2	4	2					76	"	71 00		1 25

RETURNS OF LODGES AT JUNE 24, 1912,

No. of Lodge	Lodge	Where Held	Night of Meeting	W. Master	Secretary
245	aTecumseh	Thamesville	Mo. on or b.f.m.	Angus Graham	Robt. Pye
247	aAshlar	Toronto	4th Tuesday	F. J. Coombs	W. H. Best
249	aCaledonian	Midland	Mo. on or b.f.m.	M. S. Keller	A. C. Adams
250	Thistle	Embro	Thu. on or b.f.m.	A. G. C. Munro	Columbus Ross
253	aMinden	Kingston	1st Tuesday	J. R. Forster	T. D. Minnes
254	Clifton	Niagara Falls	1st Thursday	J. Rosborough	S. D. Warren
255	Sydenham	Dresden	2nd Thursday	W. T. Jeffs	H. J. French
256	aFarran's Point	Aultsville	W. on or b.f.m.	S. C. Gove	R. H. Hanes
257	aGalt	Galt	1st Tuesday	A. E. Willard	Robt. Clark
258	Guelph	Guelph	2nd Tuesday	Wm. J. Kilgour	James Ryder
259	Springfield	Springfield	Mo. on or b.f.m.	E. C. Awdie	M. M. Black
260	aWashington	Petrolia	1st Wednesday	R. G. Smith	B. Dunlop
261	aOak Branch	Innerkip	Thu. on or b.f.m.	A. L. Ashton	R. Q. Irving
262	aHarriston	Harriston	2nd Monday	A. E. King	Rev. C. Scudamore
263	aForest	Forest	W. on or b.f.m.	John Scouler	P. W. Campbell
264	aChaudiere	Ottawa	1st Tuesday	John Gray	W. E. Hayes, Jr.
265	Patterson	Thornhill	Thu. on or b.f.m.	E. A. James	J. E. Francis
266	aNorthern Light	Stayner	Tue. on or b.f.m.	R. T. Young	H. C. Shepherd
267	Parthenon	Chatham	1st Wednesday	J. M. Currell	J. G. Martin
268	aVerulam	Bobcaygeon	Fri. on or b.f.m.	W. H. Hurchimer	Andrew Braden
269	aBrougham Union	Claremont	W. on or b.f.m.	Thos. C. Brown	Rev. Wm. R. Wood
270	aCedar	Oshawa	4th Tuesday	M. L. Argall	E. W. Drew
271	Wellington	Erin	W. on or b.f.m.	J. D. Leitch	J. M. Abbott
272	Seymour	Ancaster	Tue. on or b.f.m.	Chas. Duff	John Pickard
273	aKent	Blenheim	2nd Monday	W. J. Holmes	Jno. Crookshank
276	aTeeswater	Teeswater	4th Thursday	Geo. S. Fowler	R. E. Campbell
277	Seymour	Port Dalhousie	W. on or b.f.m.	W. C. S. Holland	John Green
282	New Hope	Hespeler	W. on or b.f.m.	J. A. Beattie	John Jardine
283	Lorne	Glencoe	Thu. on or b.f.m.	E. T. Huston	J. Y. McLauchlan
284	Eureka	Belleville	Wed. a.f.m.	C. J. Symons	W. J. Diamond
284	St. John's	Brussels	Tue. on or b.f.m.	Wm. Gillespie	Samuel Wilton
285	Seven Star	Alliston	W. on or b.f.m.	F. N. Hurst	Jas. A. Wright
286	Wingham	Wingham	1st Tuesday	R. C. Redmond	J. A. Morton
287	aShuniah	Port Arthur	1st Tuesday	A. P. Freed	Geo. G. Milne
289	aDoric	Lobo	Thu. on or b.f.m.	C. C. Edwards	P. L. Graham
290	aLeamington	Leamington	Tue. on or b.f.m.	L. N. Malott	A. T. Bristow
291	aDufferin	W. Flamboro	Thu. on or b.f.m.	Wesley Green	Alfred Jones
292	aRobertson	King	Mo. on or b.f.m.	C. D. Munro	H. W. Steele
294	aMoore	Courtright	Thu. on or b.f.m.	Chas. W. Kent	R. G. Stewart
295	aConestogo	Drayton	1st Tuesday	Everon Plath	Calvert Scarr
296	aTemple	St. Catharines	Last Wednesday	L. E. Andrus	C. A. Brown
297	Preston	Preston	Fri. on or b.f.m.	D. M. Johnston	H. L. Clare
299	Victoria	Centreville	Thu. on or b.f.m.	E. W. Lochead	Robt. Cox
300	aMt. Olivet	Thorndale	Tue. on or b.f.m.	R. L. Guest	H. B. Mossip
302	St. David's	St. Thomas	3rd Thursday	H. E. Stevenson	Fred S. Lewis
303	aBlyth	Blyth	Tue. on or b.f.m.	Wesley Beacom	J. M. Hamilton
304	aMinerva	Stroud	Tue. on or b.f.m.	L. G. Simpson	Jas. Black
305	Humber	Weston	4th Friday	N. J. McEwen	W. J. Gardhouse
306	Durham	Durham	2nd Tuesday	N. McConnell	J. F. Grant
307	aArkona	Arkona	Thu. on or b.f.m.	Herbert Hall	A. M. Thomas
309	aMorning Star	Carlow	W. on or b.f.m.	R. M. Young	John Varcoe
311	aBlackwood	Woodbridge	Fri. on or b.f.m.	D. Norton	W. B. Brown
312	aPnyx	Wallaceburg	Mo. on or b.f.m.	T. D. Dundas	E. E. Parker
313	aClementi	Lakefield	1st Tuesday	Geo. B. Hilliard	A. E. Kennedy
314	aBlair	Palmerston	Friday a.f.m.	H. Hyndman	P. J. Fasken
315	Clifford	Clifford	3rd Monday	Wm. Graef	R. R. Tough
316	aDoric	Toronto	3rd Thursday	W. B. Johnson	J. C. Ritchie
318	aWilmot	Baden	Fri. on or b.f.m.	Walter Waugh	F. Holwell
319	aHiram	Hagersville	Thu. on or b.f.m.	C. B. Almas	J. S. Bone
320	aChesterville	Chesterville	Mo. on or b.f.m.	F. M. Sanders	Rev. S. A. Woods
321	aWalker	Aetna	Mo. on or b.f.m.	John Wood	R. M. McDonald
322	aNorth Star	Owen Sound	Wed. a.f.m.	C. J. Bartley	A. A. Parks
323	aAlvinston	Alvinston	W. on or b.f.m.	H. H. Middleton	W. E. Germain
324	aTemple	Hamilton	2nd Tuesday	G. R. Pendlington	Thos. Pedlar

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No. of Lodge	Initiated	Passed	Refused	Joined	With- drawn	Deaths	Suspend- ed, N.P.D.	Suspend- ed, U.M.C.	Expelled	Restored	Total Members	Last Returns	Year ending May 31, 1912		
													Paid Grand Lodge	Ledger	
														Dr. Bal.	Cr. Bal.
245	4	3	3			1					68	"	49 25		
247	17	18	17	3	10	4	1				378	"	202 25	3 00	
249	17	16	17	11		2	4				194	"	149 00	2 00	
250	1										36	Dec., '11	31 25		
253	16	8	9	4		1	1				144	June, '12	91 25	3 00	
254	11	8	9	4	1	2	2			1	208	"	132 25		
255											83	Dec., '10	37 75	38 75	
256	4	3	6			1	5			1	79	June, '12	50 25	25	
257	6	8	11	4							197	"	132 25	1 00	
259	10	8	5	1							127	"	82 00	50	
259	2		1	1	3						61	June, '12	33 50		
260	8	6	7	1	1	1	6			2	23	"	77 25	1 00	
261	3	6	1	1	1	1				2	39	"	42 25	6 50	
262	1	2									100	"	68 25	25	
263	2	1	1				1				84	"	50 50		
264	11	19	21	3	1		5			1	230	"	261 25	3 00	
265	6	5	5	3		2	3				68	"	39 00	4 25	
266	3		1								41	"	25 50		
267	17	11	6	5							230	"	187 00	75	
268	6	4	7	1							65	Dec., '11	55 75	25	
269	4	2	3			1	3				67	"	31 10		
270	12	8	7	2	1	3					121	June, '12	97 00		
271	5	2	2			2	14			1	63	"	53 35		
272	5	5	6				5				130	"	94 50		75
274	7	9	8		6	1	4			1	122	"	88 25		
276	2	2	4								33	Dec., '11	41 25	1 50	
277	2	2	3				4				64	June, '12	65 75		
279	5	6	4			1					90	"	66 00		
282		4			1	1	1				81	"	95 75	3 00	
283	17	11	12		1						125	"	70 75	4 50	
284	2	3	3	1							87	"	54 85	2 00	
285	4	5	3			1	2			2	87	"	71 50	21 00	
286	12	8	4	3			4			1	100	"	56 00		
287	38	33	25	4	5	1	21				246	"	224 25	4 00	
289	4	9	9	1	1	1					52	Dec., '11	60 00		1 00
290	10	10	3		1	1	2			2	139	June, '12	90 00		
291	6	5	8								98	Dec., '11	74 50		
292	1	1	1								48	"	40 75		
294	9	8	6			1					58	June, '12	42 25	1 50	
295	10	9	6	1	1	2					63	"	60 50	50	
296	5	5	4	3	1	2				1	109	"	80 00		
297	7	7	8		1	1					77	"	50 50		25
299	2	2			3					2	50	"	30 75		
300	2	1	1			1					57	June, '12	28 00	32 30	
302	9	4	9	4		1					259	Dec., '11	207 25		75
303	1	1			1						63	June, '12	90 25		1 75
304	1	2	2	1	1						89	"	62 75		
305	9	6	5		1	1					89	"	62 75	2 00	
306	1	1	1		4	1	2			2	59	"	43 50		
307	3	1	1								42	"	31 25		
309	3	3	4								52	"	46 50		
311	2	1	2				2				66	"	39 00	1 25	
312	1	1		1	3					3	97	Dec., '11	54 50		
313	6	8	10	1	7					1	99	June, '12	92 25	1 25	
314	1	1			1	1	4				88	"	59 25		
315	3	4	4			1					64	"	48 50		
316	33	35	33	3	4	1	3	1		4	413	"	351 75	8 00	
318	1				1						28	"	27 25		
319				1					1		90	"	69 50		
320	5	5	5	1	5	2				2	85	"	60 00		
321	2	6	6	2	1						69	"	58 00		
322	10	8	6	2	4	5				3	195	"	153 00		
323	1	1	2	1							65	Dec., '11	40 25	1 00	
324	13	9	8	6	2	5	8			1	391	June, '12	301 50		

RETURNS OF LODGES AT JUNE 24, 1912,

No. of Lodge	Lodge	Where Held	Night of Meeting	W. Master	Secretary
325	Orono	Orono	Thu. on or b.f.m.	H. H. Reid	Thos. Smith
326	aZetland	Toronto	4th Friday	Geo. H. Smith	J. H. Macabe
327	Hammond	Wardsville	Tue. on or b.f.m.	John Heath	H. A. Wilson
328	ionic	Napier	Fri. on or b.f.m.	J. W. Taylor	W. L. Toohill
329	aKing Solomon's	Jarvis	Fri. on or b.f.m.	D. F. Aiken	Jas. Noble
330	aCorinthian	London	1st Tuesday	L. Davies	H. C. Simpson
331	Fordwich	Fordwich	Thu. on or b.f.m.	Peter Doig	A. C. Hutchison
332	Stratford	Stratford	3rd Monday	H. H. Dempsey	F. J. Scarff
333	Prince Arthur	Flesherton	Fri. on or b.f.m.	Geo. A. Watson	Thos. Clayton
334	aPrince Arthur	Arthur	Tue. on or b.f.m.	W. G. Reive	Peter Greig, Jr.
336	aHighgate	Highgate	Fri. on or b.f.m.	Fred Littlejohn	Sol. Gosnell
337	aMyrtle	Port Robinson	Tue. on or b.f.m.	John Huffa	Wm. Grisdale
338	Dufferin	Wellandport	Tue. on or b.f.m.	Wm. J. Goodwin	Jas. R. Goring
339	aOrient	Toronto	1st Tuesday	J. S. Conch	F. H. Anderson
341	aBruce	Tiverton	Tue. on or b.f.m.	A. McWhinney	D. A. McLaren
343	Georgina	Toronto	1st Saturday	H. C. Tugwell	Geo. Thompson
344	Merrill	Dorchester	Thu. on or b.f.m.	Geo. Garrett	Chas. A. Hunt
345	Nilestown	Nilestown	Tue. on or b.f.m.	W. A. Langford	C. G. Carlton
346	aOccident	Toronto	3rd Wednesday	W. S. Leach	C. C. Wightman
347	aMercer	Fergus	1st Friday	P. Perry	J. V. Watkins
348	aGeorgian	Penetanguishene	1st Thursday	J. M. Dean	W. H. Hewson
352	aGranite	Parry Sound	3rd Wednesday	M. H. Limbert	J. H. Knifton
354	Brock	Cannington	W. on or b.f.m.	W. A. Mullen	J. A. Kift
356	River Park	Streetsville	1st Tuesday	J. W. Roswell	W. C. Hubbell
357	Waterdown	Millgrove	Tue. on or b.f.m.	K. Cummins	R. Flatt
358	aDelaware Valley	Delaware	Fri. on or b.f.m.	A. E. Monteith	J. R. Hammond
359	aVittoria	Vittoria	Fri. on or b.f.m.	H. W. Stickney	John Pow
360	aMuskoka	Bracebridge	1st Tuesday	J. A. Robertson	F. P. Warne
361	aWaverley	Guelph	4th Monday	W. H. Day	W. Simpson
362	aMaple Leaf	Tara	Mo. on or b.f.m.	John McAsh	L. G. Briggs
364	aDufferin	Melbourne	W. on or b.f.m.	I. Stevenson	H. L. Griffith
367	aSt. George	Toronto	1st Friday	I. T. Stickwood	R. C. Gallaher
368	aSalem	Brockville	2nd Monday	J. W. Forbes	E. A. Geiger
369	aMimico	Lambton Mills	Tue. on or b.f.m.	Vernon Ide	A. Trethewey
370	Harmony	Delta	W. on or b.f.m.	J. W. Russell	H. E. Johnson
371	aPrince of Wales	Ottawa	4th Friday	T. Jones	R. A. de Olloqui
372	aPalmer	Bridgeburg	1st Tuesday	R. M. Graham	J. G. Watts
373	aCopestone	Welland	1st Thursday	P. W. Hemmings	Thos. Main
374	aKeene	Keene	Thu. on or b.f.m.	Geo. Robertson	A. D. Anderson
375	aLorne	Omamec	1st Monday	R. G. Allan	W. J. Thorn
376	aUnity	Huntsville	2nd Wednesday	J. W. McKrner	D. M. Grant
377	aLorne	Shelburne	1st Friday	E. G. Button	S. C. Campbell
378	aKing Solomon's	Bryanston	2nd Thursday	F. H. Thompson	Wm. Nichol
379	aMiddlesex	London	W. on or b.f.m.	Geo. Kinney	Alex. Grant
380	aUnion	London	2nd Monday	A. E. Somerville	Jos. Ward
382	Doric	Hamilton	3rd Monday	A. C. Blake	C. V. Emory, M.D.
383	aHenderson	Winchester	Fri. on or b.f.m.	J. D. Stewart	Thos. H. Dunn
384	aAlpha	Toronto	1st Thursday	R. H. McKerihen	E. J. Voss
385	aSpry	Beeton	Mo. on or b.f.m.	J. A. Swan	D. S. Morrow
386	aMcColl	West Lorne	Tue. on or b.f.m.	John Milner	J. M. Kelly
387	aLandsdowne	Landsdowne	Thu. on or b.f.m.	R. F. Hungerford	E. R. Bradley
388	aHenderson	Ilderton	Mo. on or b.f.m.	T. J. Clatworthy	Jos. H. Robson
389	aCrystal Fountain	N. Augusta	W. on or b.f.m.	W. A. Chapman	G. W. Chapman
390	aFlorence	Florence	Fri. on or b.f.m.	W. A. Kelly	Walter Drew
391	aHoward	Ridgetown	Mo. on or b.f.m.	L. J. Rycraft	W. M. Mitton
392	aHuron	Camlachie	W. on or b.f.m.	Thos. Burnley	A. Trusler
393	Forest	Chesley	Tue. on or b.f.m.	W. S. Smith	J. J. Neelin
394	aKing Solomon's	Thamesford	W. on or b.f.m.	W. B. Leslie	J. A. McDonald
395	Parvaim	Comber	Fri. on or b.f.m.	J. A. McNiven	W. G. Campbell
396	aCedar	Warton	Tue. on or b.f.m.	D. Huether	S. E. Foster
397	aLeopold	Brigden	W. on or b.f.m.	E. E. Vall	Duncan Warren
398	Victoria	Kirkfield	Fri. on or b.f.m.	R. A. E. Oliphant	E. Mosgrove
399	Moffat	Harrietsville	W. on or b.f.m.	B. R. Ban	S. E. Facey
400	aOakville	Oakville	Tue. on or b.f.m.	Harry W. Page	R. O. Blye

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													Paid Grand Lodge	Ledger	
														Dr. Bal.	Cr. Bal.
325	4	2	2	1	1	...	1	48	"	37 00
326	24	27	24	2	...	4	570	"	265 25
327	2	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	29	"	1 00	24 70	...
328	2	3	4	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	44	"	46 50	...	50
329	1	1	1	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	65	"	35 75	...	...
330	15	13	13	1	3	2	9	...	...	...	211	"	141 95	...	...
331	3	3	3	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	45	Dec., '11	37 25	4 50	...
332	2	3	3	4	3	1	...	...	...	1	171	"	101 25	...	...
333	2	3	3	3	...	1	...	...	...	...	59	June, '12	40 25	...	...
334	9	9	9	1	2	1	...	...	...	1	60	"	51 00	...	...
336	1	1	1	1	...	1	8	...	...	...	50	"	...	39 75	...
337	3	4	3	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	54	"	33 00	...	...
338	5	8	8	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	83	June, '12	105 00	22 75	...
339	15	17	19	2	5	5	6	...	...	1	331	"	226 60	...	...
341	3	4	5	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	63	"	90 25	3 75	...
343	19	20	20	6	7	2	3	...	...	1	339	"	207 25	1 25	...
344	...	1	1	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	48	"	37 75	...	25
345	4	3	4	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	62	"	63 00	...	...
346	23	28	22	7	2	8	3	...	...	1	340	"	273 25	...	...
347	4	5	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	73	"	60 25	1 50	...
348	8	9	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	86	"	50 75	...	...
352	10	14	10	...	8	1	...	...	...	1	130	"	92 25	...	...
354	3	4	4	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	66	"	62 00	...	...
356	8	4	2	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	66	Dec., '11	70 25	...	...
357	13	10	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	123	June, '12	92 00	...	...
358	3	2	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	64	Dec., '11	55 25	3 00	...
359	1	2	2	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	54	"	46 25	...	...
360	2	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	84	June, '12	55 00	...	25
361	5	6	8	...	2	1	...	...	...	...	176	Dec., '11	82 50	84	...
362	3	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	57	"	51 75	...	25
364	6	3	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	46	"	...	...	...
367	33	33	26	6	5	2	2	2	...	3	394	June, '12	279 25	88 50	...
368	5	3	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	189	"	115 50	1 00	...
369	6	8	11	1	5	1	...	...	...	...	119	"	98 00	3 00	...
370	4	4	4	...	...	2	...	...	...	2	77	"	56 00	6 00	...
371	18	17	12	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	159	Dec., '11	156 25	1 75	...
372	10	9	10	1	3	2	1	...	...	...	108	June, '12	77 75	...	...
373	6	9	7	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	118	"	124 75	...	...
374	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	33	Dec., '11	21 00	...	...
375	7	5	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	50	June, '12	52 00	...	...
376	4	7	6	1	1	2	...	...	...	1	110	"	80 95	...	...
377	6	4	3	...	1	2	...	...	...	...	88	"	52 00	1 25	...
378	13	15	11	2	3	1	7	...	...	1	189	"	149 75	...	8 50
379	2	2	1	...	4	3	2	...	...	...	44	Dec., '11	49 00	...	...
380	26	26	29	1	4	3	2	...	...	...	248	June, '12	159 00	3 00	...
382	27	29	35	1	2	1	3	...	...	...	372	June, '12	287 00	3 00	...
383	8	11	6	5	4	1	...	...	...	1	102	"	74 80	25	...
384	24	24	26	5	4	3	7	...	...	1	439	"	339 00	...	...
385	5	5	3	1	3	2	3	...	...	...	78	"	61 00	1 00	...
386	4	4	3	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	91	"	57 75	...	...
387	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	53	"	37 00	...	...
388	8	7	4	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	47	"	50 25	...	...
389	5	4	4	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	44	Dec., '11	49 50	...	5 00
390	6	5	4	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	44	June, '12	31 25	...	...
391	5	4	4	5	...	...	2	...	...	1	98	"	64 50	...	25
392	2	2	2	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	66	"	43 00	...	...
393	2	2	1	...	4	2	...	...	...	...	52	"	41 75	...	...
394	4	3	3	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	74	"	68 00	...	...
395	3	3	3	...	3	1	1	...	...	...	59	"	52 50	...	...
396	10	12	9	1	4	1	2	...	...	1	127	"	92 00	...	...
397	...	1	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	56	Dec., '11	37 75	...	...
398	4	6	5	...	3	2	3	...	...	2	35	June, '12	36 50	75	...
399	2	2	2	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	47	"	29 25	...	...
400	9	9	5	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	148	"	85 75	3 00	...

RETURNS OF LODGES AT JUNE 24, 1912,

No. of Lodge	Lodge	Where Held	Night of Meeting	W. Master	Secretary
401	aCraig	Deseronto	1st Thursday	H. G. Whiting	Harold Vallean
402	Central	Essex	W. on or b.f.m.	E. Richardson	F. B. Geddes
403	aWindsor	Windsor	1st Friday	J. B. Carmichael	A. N. Pettit
404	aLorne	Tamworth	Fri. on or b.f.m.	Rev. J. W. Jones	Jas. Aylsworth
405	Mattawa	Mattawa	2nd Tuesday	A. Borrowman	S. G. Richardson
406	aSpry	Fenelon Falls	W. on or b.f.m.	H. J. Townley	C. W. Burgoyne
408	aMurray	Beaverton	Tue. on or b.f.m.	Rev. J. McLennan	P. E. Byrne
409	aGolden Rule	Gravenhurst	2nd Monday	R. H. Stanley	J. C. Davidson
410	aZeta	Toronto	4th Friday	Norman Creen	E. A. Faulds
411	aRodney	Rodney	W. on or b.f.m.	W. N. Lusty	D. W. Graham
412	aKeystone	Sault Ste. Marie	1st Tuesday	J. C. Richardson	E. I. Scott
413	aNaphtali	Tilbury	Tue. on or b.f.m.	John Jardine	H. Callwood
414	Pequonga	Kenora	1st Wednesday	J. E. Alcock	S. C. Sharnan
415	aFort William	Fort William	2nd Wednesday	R. E. Mason	Geo. H. Coe
416	Lyn	Lyn	Tue. on or b.f.m.	Maurice Brown	W. C. Lavery
417	aKeewatin	Keewatin	1st Friday	H. S. Galloway	A. J. Holmes
418	aMaxville	Maxville	2nd Tuesday	A. J. McEwen	C. T. Smith
419	aBismarck	Sarnia	2nd Monday	C. J. O'Neil	D. Burgess
420	Nipissing	North Bay	2nd Monday	A. O. Laing	Jas. A. Smith
421	aScott	Grand Valley	Mo. on or b.f.m.	M. W. Berwick	W. L. Craig
422	Star in the East	Bothwell	W. on or b.f.m.	L. G. Crouch	J. H. McLeod
423	aStrong	Sundridge	3rd Monday	W. J. Elliott	H. B. Andrew
424	aDoric	Pickering	Tue. on or b.f.m.	M. S. Chapman	Rev. Wm. Moore
425	aSt. Clair	Sombra	Tue. on or b.f.m.	J. G. Dalgety	J. W. Burnham
426	aStanley	Toronto	1st Tuesday	Wm. Speers	Wm. Harris
427	aNickel	Sudbury	1st Wednesday	J. G. Lowe	Jos. Fowler
428	Fidelity	Port Perry	Fri. on or b.f.m.	A. G. Carnegie	W. S. Short
429	aPort Elgin	Port Elgin	Thu. on or b.f.m.	Arthur Christian	J. W. Dougherty
430	aAcacia	Toronto	3rd Monday	Geo. H. Wixon	H. J. French
431	Maravian	Cargill	Fri. on or a.f.m.	Chas. Clark	Wm. Wade
432	aHanover	Hanover	Fri. on or b.f.m.	Jas. A. Magee	Geo. Rozel
433	aBonnechere	Eganville	2nd Monday	Wm. Senn	Jas. Reeves
434	aAlgonquin	Emsdale	Tue. on or b.f.m.	D. Shaw	J. H. Metcalfe
435	aHavelock	Havelock	Fri. on or b.f.m.	Wm. Anderson	Harrison Wing
436	aBurns	Hepworth	Tue. on or b.f.m.	Alex. Reid	J. E. Campbell
437	aTuscan	Sarnia	3rd Wednesday	Wesley Carter	John Boyd
438	aHarmony	Toronto	4th Monday	J. H. Foster	W. T. Martin
439	aAlexandria	Alexandria	1st Tuesday	Geo. Shepherd	Geo. Bradley
440	Arcadia	Minden	Fri. on or b.f.m.	W. J. Hartle	Rev. J. M. Whyte
441	Westport	Westport	1st Friday	W. M. Ewart	J. R. Gorrell
442	aDymont	Thessalon	Thu. on or b.f.m.	Alfred Shaw	E. G. Scott
443	aPowassan	Powassan	2nd Friday	W. J. Buchanan	D. C. Bingham
444	aNitetis	Creemore	Tue. on or b.f.m.	J. O. Newton	H. M. Corbett
445	aLake-o'-the-Woods	Kenora	2nd Wednesday	W. E. Chapple	J. Walker
446	aGranite	Fort Frances	1st Tuesday	Wm. Floyd	F. H. Huffman
447	Sturgeon Falls	Sturgeon Falls	2nd Monday	A. D. McInnis	W. C. Austin
448	Xenophon	Wheatley	Tue. on or b.f.m.	M. Chamberlain	D. G. Scott
449	aDundalk	Dundalk	Mo. on or b.f.m.	Walter Howes	J. F. VanDusen
450	aHawkesbury	Hawkesbury	Thu. on or b.f.m.	H. H. Kirby	J. W. Holtby
451	aSomerville	Kinmount	Thu. on or b.f.m.	Geo. Horton	E. A. Wellstood
452	aAvonmore	Avonmore	Tue. on or b.f.m.	A. H. McMillan	S. Shaver
453	Royal	Fort William	1st Wednesday	F. Babe	F. C. Perry
454	aCorona	Burk's Falls	1st Monday	J. J. Wilson	J. W. Harris
455	Doric	Little Current	Tue. on or b.f.m.	J. Ellenton	Jas. A. Little
456	Elba	Monkton	Thu. on or b.f.m.	John Illman	A. Chalmers
457	Century	Merlin	1st Monday	W. W. Marshall	C. A. Smith
458	aWales	Wales	Mo. on or b.f.m.	E. H. Manning	F. Warren
459	aCobden	Cobden	2nd Tuesday	W. N. Murdock	Rev. T. Goodwill
460	Rideau	Seely's Bay	Thu. on or b.f.m.	Hy. Willis	C. C. Gilbert
461	aIonic	Rainy River	1st Thursday	Peter D. Craig	D. K. McGregor
462	Timiskaming	New Liskeard	3rd Thursday	M. McLeod	T. Armstrong
463	aNorth Entrance	Haliburton	4th Friday	E. Y. Spurr	H. H. Clark
464	King Edward	Sunderland	Fri. on or b.f.m.	J. H. Oliver	A. W. Hamilton
465	Carleton	Carp	Fri. on or b.f.m.	R. Elliott	Geo. A. Moore

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401	4	4	4	1	1	1					97	"	86 50		
402	8	7	3	2	2						77	"	58 25	3 25	
403	36	32	32	7	2					1	335	"	243 25	6 00	
404	5	3	1	1	4						71	"	47 00		
405	12	15	10	1	3						117	"	111 05		2 25
406	5	5	5	1	3	1				4	78	"	54 45	5 75	
408	3	3	3	3	4	1	1				53	"		10 50	
409	6	6	9	9	3	1	3			5	91	"	69 00		
410	20	18	18	2	3	2	4			1	304	"	251 00	5 00	
411	6	4	3	1	1	1					51	"	42 00		50
412	28	25	30	5	11	3				2	309	"	279 80	2 25	
413	4	8	8								87	"	59 50		
414	5	6	4		3	7				1	169	"	121 25		50
415	30	26	24	2	6	1	5			1	212	"	204 00		
416					1						43	June, '12	26 50		
417	7	4	2			1				1	84	"	64 25		
418			1		8	1					73	Dec., '11	66 75		12 00
419	4	4	2	1							67	June, '12	50 25	3 00	
420	8	7	12	11	1	4					321	"	145 25		
421	1	1	1	1	1	2	1				84	"	46 50		
422	5	3	3	1	1						56	"	74 35		25
423	1	2	2	1	1						70	"	52 50		
424	2	2	1	2			1				48	"	33 25		
425		3	5	1	2	2					86	"	101 75		
426	22	19	12		2	4	2				325	"	249 00		
427	15	12	14		4	1					186	"	169 25		
428	5	3	2	1	2						121	"	79 75		
429	1	2	5	3	2	1	4			1	58	Dec., '11	61 25		9 25
430	7	7	5								164	June, '12	133 50	50	
431	3	3	3	1	1		1				41	"	25 00		
432	2	3	3	3	1	1					58	"	52 00		
433	3	2	2	2	1						61	Dec., '11	55 50	30	
434	5	5	3	3						1	85	June, '12	63 00	11 00	
435	14	14	21		2	2					116	"	112 00		
436	3	2	1								33	"	34 75		
437	16	15	13	3		1					187	"	121 50	4 30	
438	27	22	18	2	12	3	8			2	389	"	295 50	1 50	
439	2	2	2	2	2	1				1	70	"	38 25		
440	6	7	3	1		1					63	"	46 25		50
441	1	2	1	2			2				55	"	34 50		
442	16	13	10		1						102	"	86 25	4 50	
443	15	13	12		7					1	79	"	72 00	2 50	
444	5	3	1	2	3	1	1				76	"	63 95	1 00	
445	7	5	4	2	3	1					51	"	72 50		
446	4	5	2	2	5	2	3			1	79	"	52 50		
447	10	7	4	4	2						79	"	82 50	1 00	
448	2	2	2								45	June, '11	36 50		
449	5	6	4		1	1					47	June, '12	39 75	25	
450	12	12	10		2	1				1	62	"	57 50		
451	1	1	2		4						52	"	27 75		
452	14	14	9		5		5				60	"	76 75		
453	10	11	8	1	5	3	6				124	"	98 25	50	
454	4	1	1		4		1				58	"	40 45	1 50	
455	4	3	2		2						84	"	50 50	1 00	
456	3	3	1								54	"	40 75		
457	4	4	4								35	Dec., '11	1 00	36 00	
458	11	13	12			1	1				84	June, '12	83 75		
459	10	7	6	1	1						78	"	80 50		
460	4	6	4		4						69	"	45 25	1 50	
461	8	9	9		1		1				88	Dec., '11	72 25		25
462	25	23	21	4	8	1	1			1	157	June, '12	142 20		25
463	1	2	2	1	2						39	"	27 75		
464	1	1	1								73	Dec., '11	62 00		6 50
465	4	6	6		3						59	June, '12	49 00	1 00	

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No. of Lodge	Lodge	Where Held	Night of Meeting	W. Master	Secretary
466	aCoronation	Elmvale	1st Friday.....	John T. Foster.	W. A. Sneath...
467	Tottenham	Tottenham	Fri. on or b.f.m.	John McCabe...	F. W. Abbott...
468	Peel	Caledon East...	Fri. on or b.f.m.	Geo. Young	J. W. Phillips..
469	aAlgoma	Sault Ste. Marie.	2nd Monday....	A. W. Dunlop....	H. J. Moorehouse
470	Victoria	Victoria Harbor.	W. on or b.f.m.	Wm. E. Brown...	T. B. Underdown
471	aKing Edward VII.	Chippawa	1st Wednesday..	D. A. R. Cameron	F. W. Breckon..
472	aGore Bay	Gore Bay	1st Wednesday..	R. Robinson....	C. C. Platt.....
473	aThe Beaches.....	Toronto	2nd Friday.....	Geo. M. Ritchie.	S. J. Manchester
474	Victoria	Toronto	3rd Tuesday....	F. Ford	W. E. Birrell...
475	Dundurn	Hamilton	3rd Saturday...	T. W. Appleton.	Geo. H. Lanigan
476	aCorinthian	North Gower...	Fri. on or b.f.m.	E. A. Johnston.	Howard Craig..
477	aHarding	Woodville	Friday b.f.m....	A. W. Granger.	A. E. Staback...
478	aMilverton	Milverton	Mo. on or b.f.m.	Geo. Guenther...	W. J. Zoeger....
479	aRussell	Russell	Mo. on or b.f.m.	Geo. Sutherland.	W. H. Lowrie...
480	aWilliamsburg ..	Williamsburg ..	Thu. on or b.f.m.	O. P. Belker....	J. A. Barkley...
481	aCorinthian	Toronto	2nd Thursday...	John T. Orr....	Jas. F. Murray..
482	aBancroft	Bancroft	Fri. on or b.f.m.	John Wood	J. A. Eby.....
483	aGranton	Granton	Mo. on or b.f.m.	R. L. Raycroft..	Chas. A. Lang...
484	aGolden Star.....	Dryden	2nd Tuesday....	F. Pinkerton...	J. E. Cox.....
485	aHaileybury	Haileybury	1st Thursday...	A. J. Carson....	F. K. Ebbitt....
486	aSilver	Cobalt	Fri. on or b.f.m.	R. H. James....	F. D. Reid.....
487	Penewobikong ..	Blind River.....	2nd Monday....	T. A. Craig.....	F. G. Braithwaite
488	aKing Edward	Harrow	Tue. on or b.f.m.	F. H. Ferriss...	G. E. Johnston..
489	aOsiris	Smith's Falls...	Friday a.f.m....	W. L. Tait.....	H. A. Ross.....
490	Hiram	Markdale	Tue. on or b.f.m.	W. L. McFarland	John Caesar....
491	Cardinal	Cardinal	2nd Friday.....	Hy. Faulkener.	Wm. Clark.....
492	Karnak	Coldwater	Thu. on or b.f.m.	R. A. Brown....	Chas. Simons...
493	St. Mary's	St. Mary's.....	4th Monday....	L. J. Constable.	A. Carman.....
494	Riverdale	Toronto	4th Friday.....	E. B. Mackenzie	J. M. Malcolm..
495	Electric	Hamilton	3rd Wednesday.	D. W. Evans....	W. F. Montague
496	University	Toronto	3rd Wednesday.	C. W. Dill.....	A. D. Lapan....
497	St. Andrew's.....	Arden	Tue. on or b.f.m.	John W. Brown	G. M. Kirk.....
498	King George V....	Coboconk	Mo. on or b.f.m.	Rev. A. B. Chafee	T. C. Birchard..
499	Port Arthur.....	Port Arthur.....	2nd Monday....	J. T. Hollinshead	Hull Austin...
500	Rose	Windsor	2nd Tuesday....	Jas. C. Tolmie..	M. P. McMaster
501	Connaught	Mimico	2nd Thursday...	Geo. Brown	Louis J. West..
502	Coronation	Smithville	Mo. on or b.f.m.	J. G. Moffat....	
UD	Inwood	Inwood	Mo. on or b.f.m.	N. A. Campbell.	W. R. Dawson..
UD	Otter	Lombardy	Tue. on or b.f.m.	Clark Nichols..	
UD	Lynden	Lynden	Tue. on or b.f.m.	John K. Jones..	
UD	Porcupine	Porcupine	1st Thursday...	T. W. Foster...	

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														Dr.Bal.	Cr. Bal.
466	2	1	1	...	3	65	"	51 75	1 00	...
467	54	June, '11	...	1 50	...
468	11	8	8	...	4	61	June, '12	47 25	3 00	...
469	22	20	19	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	130	"	99 75	6 00	...
470	7	6	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	95	"	65 55	...	...
471	7	6	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	52	"	35 00	...	...
472	10	10	9	...	4	1	...	...	...	...	69	"	72 00	1 70	...
473	17	16	14	...	7	2	1	...	...	...	179	"	134 50	4 60	...
474	19	26	22	...	4	1	...	...	...	...	195	"	189 00	...	...
475	18	20	17	...	...	3	1	6	...	...	139	"	126 50	...	...
476	2	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	55	"	40 25	1 00	...
477	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	52	"	45 00	...	...
478	8	6	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	63	"	33 25	20 00	...
479	12	12	8	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	73	"	74 50	3 00	...
480	3	3	2	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	36	"	28 50	...	...
481	3	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	94	Dec., '11	69 00	2 75	...
482	7	6	6	...	2	...	1	...	...	...	80	June, '12	69 25	1 00	...
483	9	8	6	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	40	"	26 75	...	...
484	2	6	5	...	4	...	5	...	...	2	89	"	78 50	...	...
485	21	18	16	9	1	2	2	...	...	...	159	"	125 00	...	...
486	31	40	30	4	2	2	2	...	...	...	149	Dec., '11	179 00	3 00	...
487	7	5	8	1	1	2	2	...	...	...	62	June, '12	77 75	...	...
488	9	12	11	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	59	"	55 25	...	...
489	10	10	7	4	4	...	1	...	...	...	68	"	55 50	...	...
490	6	5	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	33	"	23 00	7 50	...
491	2	2	2	2	1	...	...	...	...	...	47	"	51 25	1 00	...
492	9	5	2	...	2	1	1	...	...	...	48	"	26 00	4 00	...
493	1	1	1	...	2	1	...	...	...	...	54	Dec., '11	18 00	...	...
494	25	32	25	6	1	...	2	...	...	...	179	June, '12	184 75	...	...
495	27	21	29	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	123	"	137 00	3 00	...
496	21	20	21	6	3	...	...	...	...	...	111	"	92 25	...	...
497	6	6	1	...	1	2	...	...	...	...	23	"	44 30	...	75
498	4	3	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	29	Dec., '11	50 25	...	1 00
499	36	25	34	14	...	76	...	...	...	...	76	June, '12	52 50	9 25	...
500	3	3	3	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	38	"	21 50	1 00	...
501	7	5	4	11	...	...	...	...	...	...	50	"	...	23 60	...
502	12	9	9	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	32	"	27 50	...	...
	4	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	18	"	23 75	4 50	...
													20 00	...	...
3436	3158	2937	570	740	505	467	12	3	178	50721					
Total Receipts													\$37,265	37	
Sundries														759	65
Interest														5,150	36
Debitures redeemed														4,015	34
													\$47,190	72	

LIST OF LODGES—BY DISTRICTS

ERIE DISTRICT No. 1 (26).

D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. W. A. Kelly, Florence.

No. 34, Thistle ... Amherstburg	No. 386, McColl West Lorne
" 41, St. George....Kingsville	" 390, Florence Florence
" 46, Wellington ... Chatham	" 391, Howard Ridgetown
" 47, Great Western, Windsor	" 395, Parvaim Comber
" 245, Tecumseh ..Thamesville	" 402, Central Essex
" 255, Sydenham Dresden	" 403, Windsor Windsor
" 267, Parthenon Chatham	" 411, Rodney Rodney
" 274, Kent Blenheim	" 413, Naphtali, Tilbury Centre
" 282, Lorne Glencoe	" 422, Star of the East, Bothwell
" 290, Leamington, Leamington	" 448, Xenophon Wheatley
" 312, Pnyx Wallaceburg	" 457, Century Merlin
" 327, Hammond .. Wardsville	" 488, King Edward....Harrow
" 336, Highgate Highgate	" 500, Rose Windsor

ST. CLAIR DISTRICT No. 2 (21).

D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. D. D. Brodie, Forest.

No. 56, Victoria Sarnia	No. 294, Moore Courtright
" 81, St. John's...Mt. Brydges	" 307, Arkona Arkona
" 83, Beaver Strathroy	" 323, Alvinston Alvinston
" 116, Cassia Thedford	" 328, Ionic Napier
" 153, Burns Wyoming	" 364, Dufferin Melbourne
" 158, Alexandra...Oil Springs	" 392, Huron Camlachie
" 194, Petrolia Petrolia	" 397, Leopold Brigden
" 238, Havelock Watford	" 419, Bismarck Sarnia
" 260, Washington ... Petrolia	" 425, St. Clair..... Sombra
" 263, Forest Forest	" 437, Tuscan Sarnia
	V.D., Inwood Inwood

LONDON DISTRICT No. 3 (26).

D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. P. C. Banghart, Dorchester.

No. 20, St. John's.....London	No. 289/ Doric Lobo
" 42, St. George's.....London	" 300, Mount Olivet, Thorndale
" 44, St. Thomas, St. Thomas	" 302, St. David's, St. Thomas
" 64, Kilwinning London	" 330, Corinthian, London East
" 94, St. Mark's, Port Stanley	" 344, Merrill, Dorchester Sta.
" 107, St. Paul's.....Lambeth	" 345, Nilestown ... Nilestown
" 120, Warren Fingal	" 358, DelawareValley, Delaware
" 140, Malahide Aylmer	" 378, KingSolomon's, London W.
" 171, Prince of Wales, Lawrence	" 379, Middlesex ... Bryanston
" 190, Belmont Belmont	" 380, Union London
" 195, Tuscan London	" 388, Henderson Ilderton
" 209a, St. John's.....London	" 394, KingSolomon, Thamesford
" 232, Cameron Dutton	" 399, Moffat Harrietsville

SOUTH HURON DISTRICT No. 4 (19).

D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. Rev. D. W. Collins, Exeter.

No. 33, Maitland Goderich	No. 224, Zurich Hensall
" 73, St. James'.....St. Mary's	" 233, Doric Parkhill
" 84, Clinton Clinton	" 303, Blyth Blyth
" 133, Lebanon Forest...Exeter	" 309, Morning Star....Carlow
" 141, Tudor Mitchell	" 318, Wilmot Baden
" 144, Tecumseh Stratford	" 332, Stratford Stratford
" 154, Irving Lucan	" 456, Elma Monkton
" 170, Britannia Seaforth	" 478, Milverton Milverton
" 205, NewDominion, N. Hamburg	" 483, Granton Granton
	" 493, St. Mary's....St. Mary's

NORTH HURON DISTRICT No. 5 (19).**D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. Geo. Spotton, Wingham.**

No. 93. North. Light. Kincardine	No. 331. Fordwich Fordwich
" 131. St. Lawrence. Southampton	" 341. Bruce Tiverton
" 162. Forest Wroxeter	" 362. Maple Leaf Tara
" 184. Old Light Lucknow	" 393. Forest Chesley
" 197. Saugeen Walkerton	" 396. Cedar Wiarton
" 225. Bernard Listowel	" 429. Port Elgin...Port Elgin
" 235. Aldworth Paisley	" 431. Moravian Cargill
" 276. Teeswater ... Teeswater	" 432. Hanover Hanover
" 284. St. John's.....Brussels	" 436. Burns Hepworth
" 286. Wingham Wingham	

WILSON DISTRICT No. 6 (22).**D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. A. W. Cameron. Woodstock.**

No. 10. Norfolk Simcoe	No. 149. Erie.....Port Dover
" 37. King Hiram...Ingersoll	" 174. Walsingham.Port Rowan
" 43. King Solomon's. Woodstock	" 178. Plattsville ... Plattsville
" 68. St. John's.....Ingersoll	" 181. Oriental...Port Burwell
" 76. Oxford Woodstock	" 193. Scotland Scotland
" 78. King Hiram. Tillsonburg	" 217. Frederick Delhi
" 82. St. John's.....Paris	" 237. Vienna Vienna
" 104. St. John's.....Norwich	" 250. Thistle Embro
" 106. Burford Burford	" 259. Springfield...Springfield
" 108. Blenheim Princeton	" 261. Oak Branch...Innerkip
" 113. Wilson Waterford	" 359. Vittoria Vittoria

WELLINGTON DISTRICT No. 7 (21).**D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. Thos. Rafter, Arthur.**

No. 72. Alma Galt	No. 279. New Hope.....Hespeler
" 151. The Grand River..Berlin	" 295. Conestogo Drayton
" 172. Ayr Ayr	" 297. Preston Preston
" 180. Speed Guelph	" 306. Durham Durham
" 200. St. Alban's...Mt. Forest	" 314. Blair Palmerston
" 203. Irvine Elora	" 315. Clifford Clifford
" 216. Harris Orangeville	" 334. Prince Arthur...Arthur
" 257. Galt Galt	" 347. Mercer Fergus
" 258. Guelph Guelph	" 361. Waverly Guelph
" 262. Harriston Harriston	" 421. Scott.....Grand Valley
" 271. Wellington Erin	

HAMILTON DISTRICT No. 8 (24).**D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. W. H. Wardrope, Hamilton.**

No. 6. The Barton....Hamilton	No. 219. Credit Georgetown
" 27. Strict Obser'ce. Hamilton	" 243. St. George....St. George
" 40. St. John's.....Hamilton	" 272. Seymour Ancaster
" 45. Brant Brantford	" 291. Dufferin. West Flamboro
" 57. Harmony Binbrook	" 321. Walker.....Acton West
" 61. Acacia Hamilton	" 324. Temple Hamilton
" 62. St. Andrew's...Caledonia	" 357. Waterdown .. Millgrove
" 100. Valley Dundas	" 382. Dorie Hamilton
" 121. Dorie Brantford	" 400. Oakville Oakville
" 135. St. Clair.....Milton	" 475. Dundurn Hamilton
" 165. Burlington .. Burlington	" 495. Electric Hamilton
" 166. Wentworth. Stoney Creek	U.D., Lynden Lynden

GEORGIAN DISTRICT No. 9 (14).**D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. A. C. Adams, Midland.**

No. 79. Simcoe Bradford	No. 249. Caledonian Midland
" 90. Manito Collingwood	" 266. Northern Light..Stayner
" 96. Corinthian Barrie	" 304. Minerva Stroud
" 137. Pythagoras Meaford	" 348. Georgian. Penetanguishene
" 192. Orillia Orillia	" 466. Coronation Elmvale
" 230. Kerr Barrie	" 470. Victoria. Victoria Harbor
" 234. Beaver Clarksburg	" 492. Karnak Coldwater

GEORGIAN DISTRICT No. 9a (11).

D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. L. D. Cherry, Beeton.

No. 88. St. George's.Owen Sound	No. 385. Spry	Beeton
" 236. Manitoba ... Cookstown	" 444. Nitetis	Creemore
" 285. Seven Star.....Alliston	" 449. Dundalk	Dundalk
" 322. North Star..Owen Sound	" 467. Tottenham ..	Tottenham
" 333. Prince Arthur.Flesherton	" 490. Hiram	Markdale
" 377. Lorne		Shelburne

NIAGARA DISTRICT No. 10 (23).

D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. James Waugh, Port Dalhousie.

No. 2. Niagara	No. 254. Clifton....Niagara Falls
" 7. Union	" 277. Seymour.Port Dalhousie
" 15. St. George's.St.Catharines	" 296. Temple....St.Catharines
" 32. Amity	" 319. Hiram
" 35. St. John's.....Cayuga	" 329. King Solomon.....Jarvis
" 103. Maple Leaf.St. Catharines	" 337. Myrtle....Port Robinson
" 105. St. Mark's.Niag. Falls S.	" 338. Dufferin ... Wellandport
" 115. Ivy	" 372. Palmer
" 168. Merritt	" 373. Copestone
" 169. Macnab...Port Colborne	" 471. K. Edward VII.Chippawa
" 185. Enniskillen	" 502. Coronation ..
" 221. Mountain	
	Thorold

TORONTO WEST DISTRICT No. 11 (25).

D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. J. B. McLean, Maple.

No. 22. King Solomon's.Toronto	No. 326. Zetland	Toronto
" 54. Vaughan	" 346. Occident	Toronto
" 65. Rehoboam	" 356. River Park...Streetsville	
" 86. Wilson	" 369. Mimico...Lambton Mills	
" 98. True Blue.....Bolton	" 384. Alpha	Toronto
" 118. Union	" 426. Stanley	Toronto
" 156. York.....North Toronto	" 438. Harmony	Toronto
" 229. Ionic	" 468. Peel.....Caledon East	
" 247. Ashlar	" 474. Victoria	Toronto
" 265. Patterson	" 481. Corinthian	Toronto
" 292. Robertson	" 496. University	Toronto
" 305. Humber	" 501. Connaught	Mimico
" 311. Blackwood ..		Woodbridge

TORONTO EAST DISTRICT No. 11a (22).

D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. G. A. M. Davison, Markham.

No. 16. St. Andrew's...Toronto	No. 269. BroughamUn'n.Claremont
" 23. Richmond.Richmo'd Hill	" 316. Doric
" 25. Ionic	" 339. Orient
" 75. St. John's.....Toronto	" 343. Georgina
" 87. MarkhamUnion.Markham	" 354. Brock
" 97. Sharon	" 367. St. George.....Toronto
" 99. Tuscan	" 410. Zeta
" 129. Rising Sun.....Aurora	" 424. Doric
" 136. Richardson ..	" 430. Acacia
" 218. Stevenson	" 473. The Beaches....Toronto
" 220. Zeredatha	" 494. Riverdale
	Toronto

ONTARIO DISTRICT No. 12 (16).

D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. Neil L. Patterson, Woodville.

No. 30. Composite	No. 408. Murray
" 39. Mount Zion....Brooklin	" 428. Fidelity.....Port Perry
" 77. FaithfulBrethren.Lindsay	" 440. Arcadia
" 139. Lebanon	" 451. Somerville ...
" 268. Verulam ...	" 463. N. Entrance..
" 270. Cedar	" 464. King Edward..
" 398. Victoria	" 477. Harding
" 406. The Spry..	" 498. King George V..
	Cobocconk

PRINCE EDWARD DISTRICT No. 13 (20).

D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. Owen C. Watson, Campbellford.

No. 11, Moira	Belleville	No. 126, Golden Rule.....	Campbellford
" 17, St. John's.....	Cobourg	" 127, Franck	Frankford
" 18, Prince Edward....	Picton	" 161, Percy	Warkworth
" 29, United	Brighton	" 164, StarintheEast..	Wellington
" 38, Trent	Trenton	" 215, Lake	Ameliasburg
" 48, Madoc	Madoc	" 222, Marmora	Marmora
" 50, Consecon	Consecon	" 239, Tweed	Tweed
" 69, Stirling	Stirling	" 283, Eureka	Belleville
" 91, Colborne	Colborne	" 401, Craig	Deseronto
" 123, The Belleville....	Belleville	" 482, Bancroft	Bancroft

FRONTENAC DISTRICT No. 14 (16).

D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. A. R. B. Williamson, Kingston.

No. 3, TheAnc'tSt.John's	Kingston	No. 212, Elysian....	Garden Island
" 9, Union	Napanee	" 228, Prince Arthur....	Odessa
" 92, Cataraqui	Kingston	" 253, Minden	Kingston
" 109, Albion	Harrowsmith	" 299, Victoria	Centreville
" 119, Maple Leaf.....	Bath	" 404, Lorne	Tamworth
" 146, PrinceofWales..	Newburgh	" 441, Westport	Westport
" 157, Simpson	Newboro'	" 460, Rideau.....	Seeley's Bay
" 201, Leeds	Gananoque	" 497, St. Andrew's.....	Arden

ST. LAWRENCE DISTRICT No. 15 (16).

D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. Wm. Hyndman, Smith's Falls.

No. 5, Sussex	Brockville	No. 242, Macoy	Mallorytown
" 14, True Britons.....	Perth	" 368, Salem	Brockville
" 24, St. Francis.Smith's	Falls	" 370, Harmony	Delta
" 28, Mount Zion....	Kemptville	" 387, Lansdowne ..	Lansdowne
" 55, Merrickville....	Merrickville	" 389, CrystalFount'n..	N.Augusta
" 74, St. James'....	S. Augusta	" 416, Lyn	Lyn
" 85, Rising Sun.....	Athens	" 489, Osiris.....	Smith's Falls
" 110, Central	Prescott	U.D., Lombardy ...	Lombardy

OTTAWA DISTRICT No. 16 (19).

D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. John C. Scott, Ottawa.

No. 52, Dalhousie	Ottawa	No. 209, Evergreen	Lanark
" 58, Doric	Ottawa	" 231, Lodge of Fidelity..	Ottawa
" 63, St. John's.....	Carleton Place	" 264, Chaudiere	Ottawa
" 122, Renfrew	Renfrew	" 371, Prince of Wales..	Ottawa
" 128, Pembroke	Pembroke	" 433, Bonnechere ..	Egansville
" 147, Mississippi	Almonte	" 459, Cobden	Cobden
" 148, Civil Service.....	Ottawa	" 465, Carleton	Carp
" 159, Goodwood ...	Richmond	" 476, Corinthian..	North Gower
" 177, The Builders'....	Ottawa	" 479, Russell	Russell
" 196, Madawaska ...	Arnprior		

ALGOMA DISTRICT No. 17 (10).

D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. F. B. Allen, Port Arthur.

No. 287, Shuniah.....	Port Arthur	No. 446, Granite....	Fort Frances.
" 414, Pequonga	Kenora	" 453, Royal.....	Fort William
" 415, FortWilliam..	FortWilliam	" 461, Ionic.....	Rainy River
" 417, Keewatin	Keewatin	" 484, Golden Star.....	Dryden
" 443, Lake of the Woods..	Kenora	" 499, Port Arthur..	Port Arthur

NIPISSING DISTRICT No. 18 (14).

D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. C. R. Reid, Sudbury.

No. 405, Mattawa	Mattawa	No. 462, TemiscamingNew	Liskeard
" 412, Keystone.Sault	Ste. Marie	" 469, Algoma.Sault	Ste. Marie
" 420, Nipissing.....	North Bay	" 472, Gore Bay.....	Gore Bay
" 427, Nickel	Sudbury	" 485, Haileybury....	Haileybury
" 442, Dymont	Thessalon	" 486, Silver	Cobalt
" 447, Sturgeon Falls..	Sturg. F.	" 487, Penewobikong..	Blind River
" 455, Doric.....	Little Current	U.D., Porcupine	Porcupine

GRAND LODGE OF CANADA

MUSKOKA DISTRICT No. 19 (8).

D.D.G.M.—A. S. Porter, Powassan.

No. 352. Granite.....Parry Sound	No. 423. Strong	Sundridge
" 360. Muskoka .. Bracebridge	" 434. Algonquin	Emsdale
" 376. Unity	" 443. Powassan	Powassan
" 409. Golden Rule.Gravenhurst	" 454. Corona.....	Burk's Falls

OTONABEE DISTRICT No. 20 (13).

D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. Wm. Garfat, Port Hope.

No. 26. Ontario.....Port Hope	No. 223. Norwood	Norwood
" 31. Jerusalem...Bowmanville	" 313. Clementi	Lakefield
" 66. Durham	" 325. Orono	Orono
" 101. Corinthian.Peterborough	" 374. Keene	Keene
" 114. Hope.....Port Hope	" 375. Lorne	Omeme
" 145. J. B. Hall.....Millbrook	" 435. Havelock	Havelock
" 155. PeterboroughPeterborough		

EASTERN DISTRICT No. 21 (16).

D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. R. T. Nicholson, Lancaster.

No. 21a. St. John's.Vankleek Hill	No. 383. Henderson.W.Winchester
" 125. Cornwall Cornwall	" 418. Maxville Maxville
" 142. Excelsior ... Morrisburg	" 439. Alexandria...Alexandria
" 143. Friendly Bros..Iroquois	" 450. Hawkesbury.Hawkesbury
" 186. Plantagenet..Plantagenet	" 452. Avonmore ... Avonmore
" 207. Lancaster ... Lancaster	" 458. Wales Wales
" 256. Farran's Point.Aultsville	" 480. WilliamsburgWilliamsburg
" 320. Chesterville..Chesterville	" 491. Cardinal Cardinal

RECAPITULATION

Erie District	No. 1.....	26	Lodges
St. Clair District	No. 2.....	21	"
London District	No. 3.....	26	"
South Huron District.....	No. 4.....	19	"
North Huron District.....	No. 5.....	19	"
Wilson District	No. 6.....	22	"
Wellington District	No. 7.....	21	"
Hamilton District	No. 8.....	24	"
Georgian District	No. 9.....	14	"
Georgian District	No. 9a.....	11	"
Niagara District	No. 10.....	23	"
Toronto West District...No. 11.....		25	"
Toronto East District...No. 11a.....		22	"
Ontario District	No. 12.....	16	"
Prince Edward District.No. 13.....		20	"
Frontenac District	No. 14.....	16	"
St. Lawrence District...No. 15.....		16	"
Ottawa District	No. 16.....	19	"
Algoma District	No. 17.....	10	"
Nipissing District	No. 18.....	14	"
Muskoka District	No. 19.....	8	"
Otonabee District	No. 20.....	13	"
Eastern District	No. 21.....	16	"

SUSPENSIONS, N.P.D., 1911-1912.

No. 2—Jas. Sheppard, A. Ferry, H. S. Saunders, Ed. Wilcox. 6—O. G. Carscadden, R. W. Crooks, J. A. McLardy, Leon H. Lander. 10—E. L. Stickney, Geo. A. Barager, Alf. Bates, W. R. Roote, Wm. J. Thompson. 16—Jas. B. Raddick. 24—Jas. Douglas, Thos. Martin, Jas. A. Lindsay. 25—Jas. G. Burnham, Henry F. Duck. 27—W. G. Dillaugh, J. M. Ross. 29—B. C. Fraleigh, R. S. Carter. 30—Wm. Calverley, Henry M. Isaac, Geo. R. Ross. 32—Geo. S. Blackwell, Jas. M. Dean, Robt. Ramsey, Jos. W. Gray. 34—W. Middleditch, Wm. Menzies. 40—A. Hayman, W. J. Hay, T. E. Parkhill. 42—B. J. Wartig, Wm. Smith, John Moore, J. C. Bloxham. 44—Lorenzo D. Marlatt. 45—F. A. Will, A. E. Johnson, Sheldon Crombeck, C. L. Messecar, H. C. Stinson, J. W. Sears, J. D. Langs, M. G. Pepper, C. M. Passmore, T. Braddlesbury, G. A. Hawley. 53—P. C. Armstrong, H. W. Bell, F. B. Emery, Jas. S. Price. 61—W. J. Sutterby, J. W. Vansickle, A. Cassidy. 62—John Fawell, A. E. Boynton. 64—Thos. Walker. 65—A. A. Laurie, Jas. Renwick, A. M. Spotswood. 68—Geo. Wilson, E. N. Minkler, L. Roberts, A. Comfort, Fred Dutton, J. Smith, Wm. A. Cole, Alex. Service, G. Peters, W. J. Kirbyson. 69—Hy. Warren, Burton H. Sials, Thos. H. Irvine, Jos. A. Warren. 75—H. E. Parkin, Jno. W. Budd, H. Bourne, W. J. Davies. 76—L. S. Burke, J. R. Bricknell, H. G. Coram, A. B. Lee, J. H. Hawthorne, Merton Jackson, Harry Lane, U. R. Moore, H. Parsons, F. Windsor, J. B. Dickerson, E. J. Chadfield, F. W. McQueen, G. E. Paskins, H. F. Johnston, W. J. Sutherland. 78—Robertson, W. D. 27 Dec. '11. 82—John F. Martin, M. Pitton, D. J. Sutherland. 84—R. N. Jolliffe, Wm. Colwell, Hector F. Gregg, Bert McIntyre. 85—Oscar Webster. 86—A. V. Penfound, A. E. Hertel, C. E. Haight, W. J. Gibson. 88—Thos. Stewart, Wm. Hy. Smith, F. Cronkhitte. 93—G. W. B. Cuthbertson, 27 Dec. '11. 94—Jas. Arneil, J. H. Courtney, Wm. C. Garthwaite, Wm. Berry, Jas. C. Austin. 103—Fred Southcott, Wm. Campbell, F. D. Burgar, Samuel Arthbunot, Jas. A. Keys, Hugh W. McClive, Geo. W. Bates, Robt. V. Burgay, J. Sangster, E. R. Wilson, W. A. Cavers, Hy. A. Cozzens. 105—Robt. Gott, Wm. Hogg, Chas. T. Siefert. 109—G. F. Berryman, Geo. B. Steadman, H. B. Woodruff. 113—S. Lawrence, Wm. V. Hersey, Chas. S. Cook. 115—D. Knaggs, T. A. Scott, E. O. Henry, C. W. Astle, A. H. Allan, Wm. Astle, Geo. A. Walker. 119—Thos. S. Chambers, R. W. Hoffman, Wm. G. McGinnis, Elmon Sharp, Samuel Strain. 120—John J. Moore. 122—John B. McFarlane, Alex. D. Wishart. 125—A. N. Stevens. 126—Alfred E. Simpson. 127—Stanley T. Vanderwort, Geo. W. Sine, Alton Moran. 128—J. A. Merkley, H. E. Baker, T. Burton, R. H. Crane, H. Frost, D. Moore, J. McDonald, A. Poupere. 129—John C. Querie. 131—John Johns, D. McAulay, K. Montgomery, B. A. Belyea. 135—Wm. J. Reid, Geo. Storey, Jas. T. Jarvis, W. A. Dearing. 136—G. B. McNair, W. Lemons. 141—Wm. Bugg. 142—Jas. F. Black, Levi F. Sellick, Ezra M. Casselman, J. S. McKenzie, Guy Bowen, Jas. M. Gaskill. 144—Geo. L. Griffith, Geo. Carpenter, Alex. Wright, Jas. Duguid, A. E. Hough, Wm. J. Ireland, D. McF. Keith. 151—Wm. A. Felton, L. H. Oswald. 156—Albert R. Hunt, Hy. J. Marsh, R. S. Francis, W. H. Smith. 158—Chas. W. Ferris, Robt. A. Wilson. 170—W. E. Southgate, Jr., J. F. Thompson. 177—E. Cotton, Hy. C. Church, A. McKillop, R. R. Smith, J. H. Skuce, Alex. Dick. 180—John T. Wakefield, 26 April. '12. 181—David T. Williams, T. Marlatt, C. T. Marlatt, T. A. Marlatt, N. E. Marlatt, D. F. Williams. 193—C. F. Eddy, S. Munce, Wm. McConnell, E. B. Smith, Hy. Edgworth, Arthur C. Smith, Lyman Wheeler. 200—Ashton Burgess. 201—Geo. R. McKiel, R. C. Porter, J. McL. Watt, F. J. Elliott, William Tinney, P. Shea, A. P. Russell. 205—Howard L. Burton. 218—F. P. McNeilly, F. G. Smart, Geo. Wilson. 220—E. R. Anderson, G. W. Lapp, A. F. Bradshaw, W. H. Robinson. 225—Alex. Hassard. 229—Edward Colver. 231—Alex. Frood, John Richards, John J. Cowie. 233—Herman Gill. 236—Edward White. 247—Francis S. Anderson. 249—H. Howson, N. McMillan, Geo. Bruce, W. O. Hunter. 253—John Marshall. 254—Jas. C. Groom, Fred F. Wood. 256—Wm. Sutherland, Hy. Bowman, Hy. Vance, Arthur Vance, A. A. Wegant. 260—A. L. Adams, Jos. Henry, Chas. Van Valkenberg, C. W. Russell, F. Endrus, M. Munro. 261—Arthur Gunn. 264—Wm. Simon, W. Frazer, J. J. McLelland, A. B. Burton, G. A. F. Blissett. 265—David Duncan, Geo. R. Granger. 268—A. E. Kennedy, R. E. Tully, Jas. N. Paul, E. Irwin.

269—F. L. Gleeson, John M. Gerrow, Geo. D. Linton, Fred Dowsell, J. H. Kidd. 271—A. L. Sproule, H. L. McNally, J. W. Murphy, C. Ferguson, Hy. Gear, D. S. McLellan, E. Coates, W. G. McCamell, Jas. A. Herring, A. G. Mason, W. Duthie, A. Duncan, T. W. McDougall. 272—T. E. D. Bryan, F. D. Smith, Jas. Fields, Robt. Collinson, Wm. Guest. 274—J. W. Holmes, Alex. Martin, J. C. Walker, T. P. Warner. 276—H. Dyatt, J. Pennington, D. May, J. H. Pentland, A. A. McLean. 277—M. Henry, N. B. Clark, Ed. Quackenbush, Geo. Daley. 282—M. Walker. 285—Sydney T. Wilson, O. J. Ewing. 286—W. H. Barr, W. H. Barrand, D. L. Densley, Hy. E. Fair. 287—John A. Webb, J. Lukala, John R. Lawson, F. D. Grant, J. G. Ashford, A. Cannom, John E. Newsome, Claude Street, G. W. L. Berry, H. M. Shannon, W. H. Minkens, Jas. F. N. Boddy, T. M. Tennent, John A. Nicholson, Jas. A. McDougall, John McKnight, John W. Armstrong, Geo. W. Parsons, John E. Kelly, O. M. Fungal. 290—Oliver Reid. 26 March, '12. Arthur Reid. 26 March, '12. 306—Herbert T. Gray. 311—W. L. Kidd, John W. Tucker. 313—E. J. Wigg, H. A. Montgomery, G. C. Taylor, G. H. B. McMillan. 314—Ezra M. Miers, Wm. Chalmers, Hy. Griffin, Milo Knechtel. 316—H. N. Conley, H. Robinson, E. Trowbridge. 319—Chas. W. Kaufman. 323—W. C. Hands, R. F. Acton. 324—Robt. T. Armstrong, P. J. B. Brass, W. R. Moore, E. Buchanan, Geo. S. Dellinger, Jas. A. McKay, T. H. W. Kerr. 325—Frank P. Stubbs. 329—Elmore Hanes. 330—Chas. Blyth, Wm. H. Holland, Wm. T. Summers, Geo. Park, W. E. Cole, W. J. Evans, J. W. Archer, W. Foster, Odgen A. Dockham. 336—S. C. Attridge, Wm. L. Ellis, Henry Bailey, John A. McArthur, H. Goldie, T. T. Summers, A. Robertson, J. E. Guild. 339—J. J. Cracknell, Geo. Capps, Samuel Finlay, Wm. McKee, R. McLennan, B. G. Stephenson. 343—W. E. Wheadon, John Spalding, Jas. R. Kennedy. 344—John Birch. 346—A. Meadows, R. B. Foster, Geo. Faulkner. 348—R. H. Defields, L. E. Lane, F. H. Gregory, Wm. Lawson, Geo. E. Morden, D. Glassey. 367—Jas. W. Rose, John Magell. 368—Alex. C. Miller. 372—John Briggs. 375—John Morrison, Alfred Clement. 378—J. F. Merrideth, C. W. Burgie, Thos. Westcott, E. Reid, Eli J. Wells, W. Jenkins, H. J. Ferguson. 380—Wm. Gorman, C. T. Webster. 382—Thos. Chapman, N. Ralston, Jacob Watts, Hugh J. Austin, John J. Little. 384—W. D. McVey, H. S. W. Carswell, J. T. S. Currie, W. F. Ralph, Chas. Martin, T. Pickering, J. F. McCallum. 385—A. Miller, W. Miller, John Munro. 391—Armstrong Dean, Lawrence B. Tope. 396—D. S. Warren, Robt. E. H. Linton. 398—Fred McKague, A. Ferguson. 403—C. W. Davidson, C. F. Stearns, J. A. Pratt. 408—John E. Rowcliffe. 409—W. W. McPhee, Fred H. Rogers, Jas. R. Elliott. 412—Thomas Bishop, Hy. N. Peckover. 413—J. W. Campbell, Hy. Doherty, Stewart M. Gardiner. 414—H. S. Welch, F. A. Young, D. Smith, John W. Morton, M. Helman, Jas. Gibson, W. Edwards, Edward Dawson. 415—Jas. L. Brillinger, Geo. Hanners, Allan McDougall, F. H. Robertson, Wm. Turner. 419—B. J. Walter, Chas. Miner, Wm. K. Forbes, Alex. Fraser, Wm. Adams, David E. Mills, Arch. Sturrock, Charles Miner, James Morgan, E. A. Crase, Charles R. Kerry. 422—John Menhinick. 424—Wm. Gormley. 426—John Patterson, Wm. J. Gilchrist, Wm. H. Cook, Jas. L. Wright, Hugh Dunseath. 429—Arnold Marchand. 430—Samuel Wilson, Wm. H. Gooderham, Fred H. Chandler, A. Cudmore. 431—Alex. McArthur. 438—A. F. McQuarries, C. A. Burrows, W. E. Clarke, John Irving, S. B. Mitchell, Geo. Pettit, G. A. Stevenson, W. A. Bell. 441—Edgar Erwin, Wm. H. Aitchison. 444—Chester Gable. 446—Arthur W. Sevinson, Harry R. Frost, Arthur J. Smith. 450—John B. McGilbor. 452—Jas. M. Stutt, Wm. H. Winters, Wm. J. Winters, John T. McDonald, Flex L. Stutt. 453—John H. Cooper, John A. Keys, Cecil O. Dinsmore, John D. Chisholm, Wm. N. Defoe, E. R. Cope. 454—James Fraser. 458—W. H. Winters. 461—W. Cameron. 462—A. J. Young, Hy. Drake, John Sears, Fred Fuller, Wm. Lindsay, Thos. A. Nickle, Albert H. Fisher, Adam Lindsay. 471—R. T. Nightingale, Jas. McKay. 472—A. J. Young, Hy. Darke, John Sears, Fred Fuller, Wm. Lindsay, Thos. H. Nickle, Albert H. Fisher. 473—Christopher Dawson. 475—Wm. Perkins, Wm. G. King, J. H. Sykes, Adam Cook, R. T. Jeffery, John R. B. MacLaine. 480—John McG. Stewart, 7 Sept., '11. 482—Hyman Dobensky, 4 Aug., '11. 483—Geo. Cheney. 484—Hy. Gilbreath, F. J. McIntosh, John McHugh, Wm. L. McIntosh, John A. Johnstone. 485—John D. Thompson, R. A. Myer. 487—A. K. Davis, Harry Peckover, Ed. Carlson. 489—Jas. W. O'Brien. 492—R. F. Manning. 494—H. W. Parsons, Robt. Wilson. 495—A. J. Clarke, Samuel A. Shaw, Chas. R. Douglas.

SUSPENSIONS, U.M.C., 1911-1912.

No. 45—Sheldon Crombeck. 105—Thos. E. Priestman. 115—Walter J. Fairbrother. 147—Austin F. Shearne. 177—Alex. Dick. 196—John Mattson. 232—Edgar L. Bice. 367—Frank White, Arthur Taylor.

EXPULSIONS, 1911-1912.

No. 196—John Mattson. 151—Wm. Richard Travers. 381—George Burtch.

DEATHS, 1911-1912.

No. 2—Thos. F. Best, 31st March, 1912. 3—Jas. Davis, 14th January, 1912. 5—Andrew Sharpe, 4th November, 1911; H. J. Hannah, 19th April, 1912; Thos. Wilkinson, 6th June, 1912. 6—W. M. K. Wylie, 11th July, 1911; Chas. A. Mitchell, 25th November, 1911; Dugal Campbell, 20th June, 1912; John Billings, 11th February, 1912; Thos. Smith, 29th March, 1912; David Dexter, 2nd April, 1912; Thos. Elliott, 12th May, 1912. 7—Edwin Udel, 18th March, 1912. 9—Ben. Briscoe, 24th November, 1911; Thos. T. Waddell, 4th November, 1911. 11—John W. Hunt, 11th July, 1911. 14—Isaac Korry, 22nd May, 1911. 15—S. G. Dolson, 21st October, 1911; Robt. McMaugh, 15th November, 1911; Truman Slight, 1st June, 1912. 16—Wm. R. Johnston, 28th September, 1911; G. E. A. Bradshaw, 16th October, 1911; Chas. Bugg, 23rd November, 1911. 17—Best Feir, 11th July, 1911; Alex. Pratt, 3rd August, 1911; Silas Brisben, 18th December, 1911; H. Crozier, 22nd February, 1912; John Burchell, 6th April, 1912. 18—John W. Wright, 29th February, 1912; H. N. Babbitt, 22nd March, 1912; Jordan Head, 3rd March, 1912; Wm. G. Gorsline, 17th April, 1912. 20—Henry Drecaney, Peter Duguid, 21st October, 1911. 22—R. J. Longheed, 20th August, 1911; John Hill, 30th August, 1911; Roco Lauria, 10th November, 1911; H. E. Hughes, 3rd January, 1912; Robt. Alliss, 18th May, 1912; E. T. Talbot, 24th May, 1912; Samuel Wilkinson, 15th April, 1912. 23—Geo. Derry. 24—G. C. Fowlie, 10th November, 1911. 25—Jas. F. W. Ross, Wm. C. Matthews, 2nd November, 1911; A. F. McLean, 31st January, 1912; A. R. Williams, 7th May, 1912; R. P. Stephens, 15th March, 1912; J. D. Thorburn, 26th March, 1912; E. A. Smith, 22nd March, 1912; L. L. Palmer, 14th March, 1912. 26—Edward Peplow, 31st July, 1911; Geo. M. Furby, 24th June, 1912. 27—Edwin Buscombe, 5th December, 1911; John Osborne, 6th November, 1911; Fergus Armstrong, 16th May, 1912; W. J. Gilmore, 25th August, 1911; S. O. Gunning, 31st August, 1911; John A. Clarke, 20th August, 1911; Jas. Forster, 14th October, 1911. 29—L. A. Purdy, 14th November, 1911; Chester Loomis, 11th July, 1911; Robt. N. Hoffaman, 13th April, 1912. 30—Philip Taylor, 22nd December, 1911. 31—Wm. Fishleigh, 6th July, 1911. 32—Stephen Haney, 4th October, 1911; Thos. Scholfield, 28th October, 1911; Jas. W. Scholfield, 7th December, 1911; John Smith, 18th October, 1911. 33—Harry D. Reed, 9th June, 1912. 35—John A. Hoshal, 23rd October, 1911. Wm. Hinde, 10th May, 1912; Dakers A. Christie, 9th June, 1912. 40—Jas. Patterson, 16th August, 1911; Geo. Welby, 5th September, 1911; C. H. Zimmerman, 9th September, 1911; Geo. Welby, 10th September, 1911; S. J. Cline, 3rd April, 1912; J. Fletcher, 7th April, 1912; J. Houlden, 23rd Feb., 1912; W. S. Dodds, 16th March, 1912; J. L. Brown, 15th May, 1912; W. Applegath, 8th June, 1912. 41—Geo. Rumble, 20th December, 1911. 42—G. H. Page, 19th April, 1911. 43—M. L. Lounsbury, 5th January, 1912; Geo. C. Edin, 12th April, 1912; Jas. Hay, 1st May, 1912; J. D. Simons, 2nd May, 1912. 44—T. J. Souve, 27th September, 1911; Wm. Housel, 8th December, 1911; Thos. E. Cade, 30th December, 1911. 45—A. A. Babcock, 23rd August, 1911; J. A. Wallace, 14th November, 1911; W. L. Chambers, 14th January, 1912; N. W. Pursall, 6th February, 1912; C. Crandall, 18th June, 1912. 47—Geo. E. White, 24th December, 1911; Jas. Forster, 27th July, 1911; Chas. F. Spafford, 15th October, 1911; Frank Brown, 21st January, 1912; Wm. Jamieson, 27th February, 1912. 48—Anson B. Ross, 6th January, 1912; Fred Baker, 23rd February, 1912; Jas. N. Clarke, 27th February, 1912. 50—Thos. H. Thornton, 20th November; Hy. Snider, 12th April, 1912. 52—Wm. Garnett, 27th September; Geo. Hay, 26th November, 1911; G. G. Thompson, 2nd August, 1911; Wm. H. H. Merrill, 13th December, 1911. 53—T. H. Wickware, 3rd October, 1911; Wm. J. Johnston, 29th May, 1912. 56—William King, 6th March, 1911; John Ennis, 19th April, 1911; Neil L. Morrison, 9th August, 1911; N. A. Empey, 3rd Oct., 1911;

Alex. Lamond, 4th Dec., 1911; R. G. E. Barrie, 23rd Dec., 1911; H. W. Mills, 6th June, 1912. 61—Alex. McKay, R. T. Smith, W. L. Maries, 3rd Nov., 1911; W. W. Royce, 15th Aug., 1911; Wm. Hugh, 9th December, 1911; Wm. J. McBride, December, 1911. 63—Thos. Ellison, 6th February, 1912; M. McGowan, 22nd February, 1912; Stern Tighe, 9th June, 1912. 64—John Clifton, 22nd April, 1912; John C. Williams, 26th January, 1912. 65—T. L. L. Lewis, 10th November, 1911; A. M. Hubbard, 12th March, 1912. 66—Alfred T. Lake, 4th November, 1911; M. C. Uglow, 68—John Galleford, 12th January, 1912. 69—Jas. Whitton, 23rd August, 1911; F. W. Hubel, 29th September, 1911; James Hagerty, 19th March, 1912. 72—Wm. T. Brown, 10th February, 1912. 73—David Murray, 27th March, 1911; John A. Spearin, 8th April, 1911; Thos. D. Stanley, 6th October, 1911. 75—S. F. McKinnon, 4th August, 1911; Jas. Stewart, 8th October, 1911; Fred B. Hill, 28th December, 1911; Chas. Schadell, 23rd June, 1912; Thos. Walmsley, 28th March, 1912; Eldridge Staunton, 4th February, 1912. 76—Wm. A. Karn, 3rd January, 1912; Harvey D. Brown, 10th April, 1912; John Odium, 27th June, 1912. 77—Wm. J. Gray, 18th August, 1911. 78—Peter McFarlane, 22nd February, 1911; W. M. Reynolds, 9th May, 1911; G. A. Mathieson, 4th March, 1912; W. S. Ferguson, 19th April, 1912; Wm. Gaskell, 22nd June, 1912. 79—McKinstry Britton, 7th July, 1911; Fred Richardson, 24th March, 1911. 81—Geo. B. Parrott, 20th July, 1911. 82—Peter H. Cox, 16th August, 1911. 83—W. M. Smith, 10th November, 1911; Francis Woodward, 18th November, 1911; Thos. Bogue, 27th February, 1912. 84—John Woon, 13th April, 1911. 85—Walter H. Beatty, 86—Thos. Houlgrave, 23rd November, 1911; Wm. I. Thompson, 21st June, 1912. 87—Joseph J. Jones, 24th February, 1912; Norman L. Wilson, 15th March, 1912. 88—Walter P. Wallace, 11th December, 1911. 91—M. H. Colton, 7th January, 1911; Wm. Riley, 1st April, 1911; Dennis Pettit, 92—Thos. Morgan, 13th October, 1911; Rd. Dagg, 13th December, 1911; E. S. Boyden, 30th September, 1911; Thos. Andrews, 10th October, 1911; Joseph Hiscock, 29th November, 1911. 93—Robt. Malcolm, 15th March, 1912. 96—Chas. A. Wilson, 19th September, 1911. 97—John Warriner, 6th July, 1911; W. Armstrong, 20th August, 1911; John A. Ramsden, 1st November, 1911. 100 Edward F. Twiss, 7th January, 1912; F. A. Cullenden, 1st April, 1912; Wm. Hill, 19th January, 1912. 101—Robert P. Boucher, 20th March, 1912; David G. Armstrong, 15th June, 1912. 103—William Bald, 13th December, 1911; F. A. Goring, 8th February, 1912; Chas. H. Plumstead, 16th January, 1912. 104—John E. Lampman, 9th January, 1912. 105—B. A. Mollens, 5th April, 1912. 106—Wm. Creighton, 1st February, 1912. 109—Geo. Lake, 9th December, 1911. 110—Geo. F. Raycroft, 22nd October, 1911; Thos. J. McClelland, 12th January, 1912; Isaac W. Plumb, 5th February, 1912. 114—Geo. A. Thomas, 9th March, 1912. 115—R. L. Hagerman, 24th July, 1911; Ellis O. Hurst, 8th February, 1912. 120—John Swisher, 10th November, 1911. 121—Thos. Southwood, 27th November, 1911; Jas. C. Boughner, 14th March, 1912; Samuel Hall, 15th June, 1912. 122—Theo. Perrault, 14th July, 1911; John McNichol, 15th September, 1911. 123—Samuel F. Anstead, 8th December, 1911; John P. Thomas, 5th May, 1912. 125—Alexander Cunningham, 126—Richard H. Bonnycastle, 2nd November, 1911. 127—John Houldon, 27th June, 1911; Chas. F. Chase, 14th January, 1912. 128—Chas. Taylor, 5th December, 1911. 129—Jos. F. Smith, 10th July, 1911; Jas. Legge, 4th November, 1911; Thos. Cain, 26th December, 1911; Ben Richardson, 17th March, 1912. 131—James Dundas, 28th November, 1911; C. R. Vanstone, 9th January, 1912; M. L. McAulay, 9th March, 1912; John Logie, 30th April, 1912. 133—Wesley W. Kerr, 18th December, 1911. 135—M. Beattie, 9th October, 1911; W. H. McNab, 26th August, 1911; John H. Bradley, 11th Nov., 1911; Edgar R. Biggar, 10th Dec., 1911; W. H. Howes, 18th April, 1912. 136—Jos. Cook, 2nd Sept., 1911; Jno. W. Shankel, 29th May, 1912; F. H. Leacock, 12th June, 1912. 137—Jas. Patterson, 31st January, 1912; John D. McGee, 8th April, 1912. 139—Wilson Henderson, 17th August, 1911. 141—Samuel Wilson, 142—Jas. A. McMartin, 7th March, 1912. 143—G. D. Vanarnum, 24th March, 1912; Thos. Dillon, 17th April, 1912. 144—G. A. Gifford, 20th October, 1911; Wm. A. Deacon, 17th January, 1912. 147—M. Neilson, 21st January, 1912. 148—Sydney C. D. Roper, 14th October, 1911; John P. Dickson, June, 1912. 151—Hy. S. Raulall, 4th March, 1912. 153—Levi Lambert, 15th October, 1911. 155—W. J. Martin, 21st November, 1911; Wm. Hinchcliffe, 29th November, 1911; R. M. Roy, 20th January, 1912; John W. Muir; Wm. G. Rumble, 15th April, 1912. 156—Arthur Rutherford, 15th February, 1912; Thos. J. Best, 27th February, 1912. 157—Levi S. Lewis, 3rd October, 1911.

158—Wm. Smith, Sr., 5th November, 1911. 159—Hy. Bennett, 3rd January, 1911; Thos. Whitelaw, 20th October, 1911. 161—M. B. Aylesworth, 29th August, 1911; A. M. Sanborn, 12th September, 1911; J. H. Mix, 20th December, 1911; Francis Glover, 18th February, 1912. 164—Thos. S. Stinson, 6th August, 1911; Geo. A. Werden, 11th October, 1911. 165—Jas. Osborne, 4th November, 1911; F. A. Kerns, 30th January, 1912. 166—Timothy Kennedy, 29th April, 1912. 168—Frank Elliott, 27th July, 1911; N. B. Hagar, 12th February, 1912; Frank Ott, 21st June, 1912. 170—A. M. Ross, 3rd February, 1911; Alex. C. Winter, 172—Chas. Smuck, 7th December, 1911; H. A. Smuck, 177—T. W. Currier, 10th January, 1912. 178—Thos. Allshire, 27th June, 1911; Robt. J. Neil, 13th April, 1912. 184—Robt. Findlater, 13th April, 1911; Angus B. McLeod, 24th May, 1912. 185—Joshua Tweedale, 24th June, 1912. 186—Eli Hughes, 194—D. A. Robertson, 13th December, 1911; Geo. Premmer, 24th June, 1912; Hy. Mann, 17th February, 1912; John McCann, 5th March, 1912. 195—Edwin Paull, 28th March, 1912. 196—Arch. Hood, 30th December, 1911; Alex. Carmichael, 2nd January, 1912. 197—T. W. Bennett, 12th December, 1911; Wm. Farquharson, Sr., 1912; John Grainger, 1912. 201—John B. Robinson, 23rd March, 1912; John McNinch, 28th April, 1912; E. A. Dornan, 12th August, 1911; W. Y. Boyd, 24th March, 1912. 207—E. Duems, 23rd March, 1912; Norman McKay, 9th June, 209a—Jacob E. Vanderburg, 23rd November, 1911; H. C. Sreaton, 23rd December, 1911; Alex. McDonald, 24th January, 1912; Peter McDonald, 7th February, 1912; John P. Thompson, 8th March, 1912; Chas. E. Mountjoy, 20th April, 1912; J. H. Walton, 21st April, 1912. 212—Robt. Simons, 5th May, 1912. 215—Anthony Brooks, 17th March, 1911. 216—Robt. Meek, 13th July, 1911. 217—Edward Conlin, 10th May, 1912. 218—Jas. Baird, 5th July, 1911; Samuel Barnett, 2nd August, 1911; J. W. Reid, 31st August, 1911; John W. Belyea, 13th November, 1911; T. E. Cloverden, 4th May, 1912. 219—Mark Maw, 7th March, 1912; Edward Finlay, 6th June, 1912. 222—Wm. A. Hungerford, 14th August, 1911. 223—H. R. Bingham, 17th November, 1911; W. H. Hutchinson, 8th January, 1912; A. McMillan, 28th February, 1912; David W. Andrews, 27th April, 1912; John Burkeil, 16th June, 1912. 225—Benj. F. Brook, 6th February, 1911; Jas. Longmire, 18th April, 1911. 229—John F. Quin, 13th September, 1911; Edward Chas. Denison, 8th March, 1912. 230—John F. Smith, 10th July, 1911. 231—John W. Fraser, 1st March, 1912; F. A. Grant, 10th May, 1912. 232—John Brown, 11th November, 1911. 233—Edgar Ayliffe, 12th August, 1911; Wm. Caw, 17th December, 1911. 236—Henry Coleman, 1st February, 1912. 237—Harry Clutton, 8th September, 1911. 242—Jos. W. Lane, 7th June, 1912. 243—Jas. Mullin, 28th January, 1912; David H. Nellis, 6th February, 1912. 245—John Kerr, 15th February, 1912. 247—Donald M. Hoskins, 5th July, 1911; Alex. Dixon, 13th July, 1911; M. B. Aylesworth, 29th August, 1911; J. C. Lander, 17th November, 1911. 249—E. Peplow, 15th August, 1911; I. C. McDougall, 24th September, 1911. 253—Wm. Craig, 10th July, 1911; John Newton, 26th March, 1912. 254—John Robertson, 30th November, 1911; Geo. H. Clark, 26th March, 1912. 255—D. V. Hicks, 25th December, 1910; Geo. H. Long, December, 1910. 256—E. C. Robertson, 27th May, 1912. 258—R. T. Powell, 15th March, 1912. 260—Robt. G. Denham, 10th February, 1912. 261—David Peat, 13th May, 1912. 263—John E. Robinson, 11th January, 1912. 264—John W. Cross, 18th September, 1911; Thos. Burnside, 24th September, 1911. 268—John Kelly, 31st July, 1911. 269—Wm. Hy. Smith, 25th April, 1911. 270—D. McKay, 13th October, 1911; L. K. Murton, 2nd February; Wm. J. Adair, 13th February, 1912; John T. Goyne, 18th April, 1912. 271—M. B. Hague, 10th December, 1911; Wm. McDowell, 27th May, 1912. 274—Arthur Walker, 1st December, 1911. 277—Curtis Rose, 13th November, 1911; Robt. Walton, 10th January, 1912. 279—Geo. K. C. McGregor, 12th December, 1911. 282—J. Y. Foster, 16th December, 1911. 283—Chas. Green, 5th October, 1911. 285—Thos. Stokes, 287—Richard R. Challons, 31st August, 1911. 289—Chas. Stalwood, 17th November, 1911. 290—Thos. E. Quick, 10th February, 1912. 291—Alfred Jones, Jr., 21st August, 1911. 294—Thos. Johnston, 12th December; Geo. Stewart, 12th January, 1912. 295—Adam Dolmage, 31st December, 1910; Thos. R. Wood, 12th May, 1911. 296—Arch. Hodge, 6th March, 1912; John E. Cuffe, 31st May, 1912. 297—Chas. E. Yates, 3rd March, 1911. 302—E. P. C. Pitfield, 17th July, 1911. 303—William Watson, 14th October, 1911. 305—Geo. Weller, 24th August, 1911. 306—Geo. A. Blackburn, 7th November, 1911. 309—John McR. Johnston, 9th August, 1911; Jos. Bell, 15th March, 1912. 314—A. McD. Stewart, 8th September, 1911. 315—David Randall, 19th

July, 1911. 316—A. Kelvington, 11th September, 1911; Geo. M. Johnston, 14th May, 1912. 320—S. Schwerdfeger, 5th July, 1911; Wm. B. Campbell, 1st March, 1912; Thos. Kennedy, 11th April, 1912; Thos. E. Buchanan, 20th May, 1912. 321—John Kenny, Sr., 23rd June, 1912. 322—John C. Pringle, 18th September, 1911; Hy. Wright, 15th October, 1911; W. A. Ferguson, 8th December, 1911. 323—Geo. Hardy, Main, 24th September, 1911. 324—Thompson Lawson, 23rd September; Ian McKenzie, 28th Oct., 1911; Byron Smith, 15th Feb., 1912; Jno. B. Smith, 31st Mar., '12; Geo. A. Laing, 5th May, '12. 325—Robt. F. Allin, 24th Apr., '11. 326—Jno. Bastedo, July, '11; J. A. Slack, Nov., '11; C. F. Grover, 25th December, 1911; S. H. Westman, 30th December, 1911. 328—Thos. T. Waddell, 4th November, 1911. 329—A. J. Belt, 29th January, 1912. 330—Jas. H. Cunningham, 26th March, 1912; Edwin D. Doan, 27th March, 1912. 333—John A. Scott, 31st July, 1911. 334—John Anderson, 336—Geo. H. Long, 339—A. F. Yuill, 11th July, 1911; Jas. Hewitt, 9th August, 1911; Geo. T. Danell, 4th October, 1911; Edward Gaskin, 9th December, 1911. 341—Murdoch Morrison, 28th February, 1912; Jas. G. Walker, 8th May, 1912; Alex. Campbell, 27th May, 1912. 343—Chas. E. Levy, 13th July, 1911; Frank Denn, 27th August, 1911. 344—Donald Ross, 15th July, 1911; Jas. Ross, 19th February, 1912. 345—F. A. O'Dell, 14th April, 1912; W. H. Niles, 23rd April, 1912. 346—Richard Kemp, 8th September, 1911; J. C. Davidson, 8th October, 1911; John S. Gordon, 30th November, 1911; J. H. Bennett, 1st January, 1912; John B. Sutherland, 19 March, 1912; G. B. Lorie, 20th March, 1912; Wm. Penny, 16th April, 1912; H. G. Brown, 10th June, 1912. 348—John McArthur, 5th June, 1912. 352—Thos. George, 29th April, 1911. 356—Wm. McCann, 11th April, 1911. 357—E. W. Turfgar, 16th October, 1911. 358—Alex. McIntyre, 19th August, 1911. 359—Geo. Hewitt, 4th December, 1911. 361—Urban Ryder, 19th August, 1911. 367—W. L. Outhwaite, 13th January, 1912; Jas. Hughson, 1st May, 1912. 368—Allan S. Ault, 23rd September, 1911. 369—C. B. Harrison, 12th February, 1911; William Penny, April, 1912. 370—Clayton C. Copeland, 16th March, 1912; John H. Stranger, 12th March, 1912. 371—James W. Turley, 15th April, 1911; R. L. Broadbent, 372—Jas. W. Henry, 13th March, 1912. 373—H. H. Lymburner, 4th February, 1912. 376—John Whiteside, 26th September, 1911; John A. Trusler, 4th June, 1912; Geo. Paget, 17th June, 1912. 377—Alex. Smith, 5th December, 1911; Wm. Collins, 378—John Chapman, 2nd October, 1911. 380—Geo. Heard, 1st October, 1911; Frank Lawson, 31st October, 1911; Jas. A. Ramplon, 28th December, 1911. 382—Abraham Harris, 21st September, 1911. 383—J. Gilbert Acres, 14th June, 1911. 384—Samuel Horton, 22nd August, 1911; G. E. Powers, 7th August, 1911; Geo. A. Joyce, 11th March, 1912. 385—Jas. Williams, 7th March, 1912; J. McE. Hindle, 28th May, 1912. 386—Geo. Streib, 21st January, 1912. 390—Edward A. Cragg, 8th April, 1912. 392—S. C. Fulcher, 14th July, 1911; C. E. Grundy, 24th November, 1911; John M. Gunn, 15th April, 1912. 393—James Grant, 12th July, 1911; John M. Stewart, 25th May, 1912. 395—G. W. Andrews, 17th November, 1911; Frank A. Cleminson, 5th January, 1912. 396—S. W. Cross, 26th October, 1911. 398—Wm. R. Cavana, 1st March, 1912; E. Lytle, 24th April, 1912. 399—David Collins, 14th February, 1912. 401—C. E. Ravin, 29th May, 1912. 403—Jas. F. Jackson, 7th October, 1911; J. W. Hannah, 14th February, 1912. 404—S. Gilmore, 21st January, 1912; Geo. E. Thornton, 2nd February, 1912. 405—Peter A. Ferguson, 11th November, 1911. 406—Geo. J. Nie, 13th November, '11. 408—Alex. Dobson, 409—G. B. Dench, 14th Aug., '11; T. Swale, 11th Sept., 1911. 410—Robt. Diprose, 27th June, 1911; Thos. W. Todd, 30th November, 1911. 411—Duncan W. McIntyre, 412—Rd. Proctor, 2nd July, 1911; Britt McKinstry, 5th July, 1911; David Findlay, 12th April, 1912. 414—Alex. Cameron, 22nd July, 1911; H. T. McWalters, 30th August, 1911; D. T. Ferguson, 2nd September, 1911; J. A. McCrossan, 8th Dec., '11; Jno. Kay, 2nd Apr., '12; H. E. Smith, 21st Mar., '12; Jas. Sherman, 9th June, '12. 415—Geo. A. Dulmage, 21st May, 1911. 419—John McDonald, 12th April, 1911; Alf. E. Savage, 12th June, 1912. 420—Gerald C. Thompson, 13th October, 1911; A. E. Crumpson, 19th April, 1912; W. Lindquest, 7th May, 1912; C. R. Boucher, 7th May, 1912. 421—Wm. McIntyre, 13th September, 422—Thos. Hodger, 12th January, 1912; John Patterson, 28th February, 1912. 425—W. R. Myers, 5th February, 1912; Chas. A. Withal, 5th February, 1912. 426—Olva V. Fraser, 1st July, 1911; John Chisholm, 4th July, 1911; John Willis, 18th September, 1911; Thos. Powell, 1st October, 1911. 427—Geo. R. McLaren, 14th June, 1912. 430—Hy. C. Britton, 31st January, 1912. 432—Hy. Prast, 19th June, 1912. 433—Harry Pierce,

12th November, 1911. 435—Rd. Phillips. 25th April, 1912; T. H. Patterson. 29th February, 1912. 437—Alex. Kidd. 30th November, 1911; N. H. Benson. 9th September, 1911; Thos. Wilcox. 24th October, 1911; Robt. Simcock. 24th January, 1912. 438—Arthur Newland. 6th July, 1911; W. C. Purchase. 1st December, 1911; Frank A. Robb. 13th February, 1912. 439—Geo. H. Loughton. 7th October, 1911. 440—A. J. Ford. 17th December, 1911. 442—John W. Graham. 444—John Fachie. 5th November, 1911. 445—Wm. Nickson. 2nd February, 1911; David T. Ferguson. 2nd September, 1911. 446—Thos. Burnham. Ed. G. Scott. 27th May, 1912. 449—Geo. Watson. 25th March, 1912. 450—Wm. Courtney. 14th December, 1911; John Becktham. 4th May, 1912. 453—Robt. M. Hamilton. 10th August, 1911; R. H. Miller. 1st March, 1911; Herbert H. Kilpatrick. 22nd June, 1912. 457—Geo. McKay. 24th August, 1911. 458—Jas. M. Auld. 21st April, 1912. 462—Howard Johnston. 16th September, 1911. 466—Wm. J. Lockhard. 26th August, 1911. 468—Folis Allison. 1st July, 1911; M. B. Hague. 12th December, 1911. 469—John Currie. 22nd May, 1912. 470—Geo. J. Kent. 22nd August, 1911. 472—Jas. M. Fraser. 30th January, 1912. 473—Thos. Gardiner. 12th December, 1911; Ernest Rastell. 10th January, 1912. 474—Chas. O. S. Hay. 5th September, 1911. 475—Fred S. Aylett. 15th November, 1911. 479—John A. McNab. 20th October, 1911. 485—Walter T. Feldon. 31st July, 1911; Peter A. Ferguson. 20th November, 1911. 486—Milton T. Culbert. 14th March, 1911; Gerald M. Deeming. 19th October, 1911. 487—John W. Graham. 14th December, 1911; Alex. Clarke. 23rd June. 492—David Hall. 493—Hugh P. Kennedy. 27th November, 1911. 497—Thos. Andrew. 10th October, 1911; John W. Brown. 9th June, 1912; Geo. E. Thornton. 2nd February, 1912.

RESTORATIONS, 1911-1912.

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P.D.D.G.M. Niagara District No. 10, and a member of St. John's
Lodge No. 35, Cayuga.

Died 23rd October, 1911

Right Worshipful Brother

John Osborne

Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Canada in 1857, and a
life member of Strict Observance Lodge No. 27,
Hamilton.

Died 6th November, 1911

Right Worshipful Brother

Thomas Henry Thornton

P.D.D.G.M. Prince Edward District No. 13, and a member of
Consecon Lodge No. 50, Consecon.

Died 24th November, 1911

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George Edward White

P.D.D.G.M. Erie District No. 1, and a member of Great Western
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Died 25th December, 1911

Right Worshipful Brother

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P.D.D.G.M. Ottawa District No. 16, and a member of Madawaska
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Died 30th December, 1911

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Died 1st January, 1912

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Prince Edward Lodge No. 18, Picton.

Died 29th February, 1912

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Past Grand Pursuivant, and a member of The Belleville
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Died 5th May, 1912

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		Wyoming		W. L. Kuykendall	Saratoga
		Other Countries			
R.W.Bro. A. E. Cooper	London	Belgium	M.W.Bro. Houzeau de Lohate	M. Rian Nedgroet	laue du Yersdl, S a Brussels
		Brazil			
V.W.Bro. A. L. Malone	Toronto	Chile	Bro. J. Ramsay	Carlos A. Corbala	Casilla 53-D, Santiago
R.W.Bro. F. Farvey Diamond	Belleville	Costa Rica	Bro. Wm. E. Inksetter	Antonio Castro	San Jose
R.W.Bro. George Tall	Toronto	The Island of Cuba	Jose L. Vidurreta	Carlos G. Charles	Havana
		Greece		S. Stevenson	Athens
R.W.Bro. W. G. Perkins, M.A.	Toronto	Hungary	Bro. Ettore Ferrari	Dr. Alex. Fraenkel	Budapest
R.W.Bro. G. G. Rowe, M.D.	Toronto	Italy		A. Cefaley	Castelazzo-Rome
		Mexico			
R.W.Bro. R. Badcliffe	Goderich	The Netherlands	Bro. T. A. O. DeRidder	J. Isabree Moeus	Rotterdam
		New Granada	Bro. J. M. Samper Aniano		
R.W.Bro. W. J. Drope	Glasby	Pern	Bro. Eduardo Lavergue	Mannol J. Caeres	Lima
		Puerto Rico		Jose G. Torres	San Juan
		Portugal	Bro. Joas C. D'Almeida	Leopold A. P. Gomez	Lisbon
		St. Domingo			
		Switzerland	Bro. Charles Gorsler	Dr. Ad. Strucl	
		Uruguay	Bro. Bellisario Courado	Jose De La Hantz	Monte Video

Appendix to Proceedings of 1912

REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE

A. T. FREED, P. G. M., CHAIRMAN

To the President of the Board of General Purposes :

On behalf of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, I beg to submit the following report. Proceedings of Grand Lodges reviewed are the following:

Alabama	1911	New Brunswick.....	1911
Alberta	1911	New Hampshire.....	1911
Arizona	1911-1912	New Jersey.....	1911
Arkansas	1911	New Mexico.....	1911
British Columbia....	1911	New South Wales...	1911
California	1911	New York.....	1912
Colorado	1911	New Zealand.....	1911
Connecticut	1912	North Carolina.....	1912
Costa Rica.....	1909	North Dakota.....	1911
Cuba	1911	Nova Scotia.....	1911
Delaware	1911	Ohio	1911
District of Columbia.	1911	Oklahoma	1911
England	1911	Oregon	1911
Georgia	1911	Pennsylvania	1911
Idaho	1911	Prince Edward Isl'd.	1911
Illinois	1911	Quebec	1912
Iowa	1911	Queensland	1911
Ireland	1911	Rhode Island.....	1911
Kansas	1912	Saskatchewan	1911
Louisiana	1912	Scotland	1912
Maine	1911	South Australia.	1911-1912
Manitoba	1911	South Carolina.....	1911
Maryland	1911	South Dakota.....	1911
Massachusetts	1911	Tennessee	1912
Michigan	1911	Utah	1912
Minnesota	1912	Vermont	1911
Mississippi	1911-1912	Victoria	1911
Missouri	1911	Washington	1911
Montana	1911	Western Australia...	1911
Nebraska	1911	West Virginia.....	1911
Nevada	1911	Wisconsin	1911
		Wyoming	1911

ALABAMA.

The ninety-first Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Alabama was opened at Montgomery, December 5, 1911. Lawrence H. Lee Grand Master. Six Past Grand Masters were in the East, and 433 lodges were represented.

In his address the Grand Master congratulated the brethren on the material progress made by the craft in Alabama during the year, on good financial results, and on the character of the material received. He added:

The year has been a fruitful one for good, from an intellectual as well as a physical standpoint. The brethren are taking a wide and intelligent interest in the craft, and are probing for the wisdom that lies beneath our symbolism. They are awakening to a sense of their great privileges and powers.

Dispensations had been issued for the formation of fourteen new lodges, and charters had been granted to sixteen lodges under dispensation.

It is the policy of the Grand Lodge of Alabama to retain as representatives of foreign Grand Lodges only brethren who will attend the annual communications; and no less than eighteen new representatives were appointed. Among them Bro. William W. Brandon, of Tuscaloosa, was appointed to represent the Grand Lodge of Canada.

Among the losses by death during the year was that of M.W. Bro. B. Dudley Williams, who was Grand Master in 1900.

The only decision which appears to have general interest is the following:

Where a Mason has been tried and convicted and sentenced to be reprimanded, and refuses to attend to receive his punishment, he thereby deprives himself of the rights and privileges of Masonry until he receives his punishment or appeals from the conviction.

The Maçonic Home is nearing completion. The receipts were \$78,000. The Grand Master acknowledges valuable assistance from sisters of the Eastern Star.

The foreign correspondence is in the able hands of Bro. William Y. Titcomb, who reviews the proceedings of sixty-seven Grand Lodges in a very able manner.

Bro. Titcomb is still unreconciled to the Canadian law which forbids the use of Masonic lodge rooms to bodies of the Eastern Star. Or, rather, he thinks that

Grand Master Macwatt ought to have disobeyed the law which forbids the use of Masonic lodge rooms by non-Masonic bodies. He says:

M.W. Bro. Macwatt objects to the practice of letting the O.E.S. use lodge halls. While the letter of the law excludes that body, as it does all non-Masonic organizations, still the aims and objects of the O.E.S. so command the respect and admiration of the Masonic Fraternity, and furthermore, as none but Masons and relatives of Masons can be members of said society, if straining the law is in any case to be condoned, it is surely so in respect of allowing the Eastern Star to occupy our halls.

Which means, if it means anything that, because the "aims and objects of the O.E.S. command the admiration and respect of the Masonic fraternity," Grand Master Macwatt ought to have violated his obligation and disobeyed the constitution which he solemnly promised to support and uphold. Playing fast and loose with obligations and violation of constitutional law are not considered Masonic virtues in Canada. Besides, when the door is once opened, where is the thing to stop? The Odd Fellows and Knights of Pythias and Foresters and Sons of Temperance and a half hundred of other societies "command the admiration and respect of the Masonic fraternity." Must they all be admitted? If not, why not?

We regret very much to learn that, at the time Grand Lodge met. Bro. Titcomb was so seriously ill that he was not able to complete his report. Let us hope that he has regained his health, and that he may be spared many years to serve his brethren and contribute to the history and literature of Masonry.

Lodges in Alabama 535; members 24,361, a gain of 1,058.

Daniel A. Greene, Birmingham, Grand Master.

George A. Beauchamp, Montgomery, Grand Secretary.

ALBERTA.

The sixth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Alberta was opened at Banff May 31, 1911. J. J. Dunlop Grand Master. Lodges represented 45. The representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada was present.

Grand Master Dunlop reported that he had visited all the lodges in the jurisdiction except four. He had

granted warrants to four lodges under dispensation, and had personally visited and instituted all the four. Dispensations had been granted for the formation of eleven new lodges.

He had issued dispensations for a Masonic funeral for an Entered Apprentice, and also for a Fellowcraft. He says:

I am aware many will disagree with me in this, but I hold an E.A. or F.C. is a brother Mason, not entitled to all the privileges of a M.M., but a brother Mason just the same, and surely you would not withhold from him the last sad rites of our fraternity.

It always appears to me that this idea of excluding E.A. and F.C. from all the privileges of Masonry originated in some jurisdiction where they charge separately for each degree as it is conferred, and this withholding Masonic privileges was the gentle art of applying the thumb-screws to make the victim come forward with the cash and incidentally get his degrees.

The Committee on Benevolence sent in a model report, as follows:

Your Committee on Benevolence beg to report that we have had no demands whatever for charity during the past year. We note with much pleasure that many lodges are contributing liberally to benevolent work.

The Committee on Foreign Relations and Correspondence reported in favor of the appointment of one brother to prepare reports on the Proceedings of foreign Grand Lodges, which was adopted.

Alberta permits two rituals for the conferring of degrees. This is a pity. Surely it would be better to secure uniformity in the work now while the craft is in a formative state. Trouble is sure to come from divergence of practice.

A Masonic Home and School fund has been started; and it now has investments and deposits to the amount of \$5,000.

A chain collar was presented to M.W. Bro. J. T. Macdonald in appreciation of his past services.

Lodges 62, including 15 under dispensation. Members 3,823, an increase of 840. or 28 per cent.

Thomas McNabb, Lethbridge, Grand Master.

George Macdonald, M.D., Calgary, Grand Secretary.

ARIZONA.

The twenty-ninth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Arizona was opened at Tucson February 14, 1911. Frank Thomas Grand Master. Lodges represented 16; unrepresented 4. Sixteen Past Grand Masters were present, including M. W. Bro. Benjamin Titus, Representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

Two emergent communications were held during the year, the one for the purpose of laying a cornerstone, and the other to dedicate a Masonic hall.

Grand Master Thomas said: "Our relations with sister Grand Jurisdictions are most pleasant and harmonious, and our home lodges are prospering, as is shown by their gains in membership."

He recommended that the Grand Lodge participate in the work of erecting a memorial to "Washington the Mason," and his proposal was approved by Grand Lodge.

There is no report on Foreign Correspondence.

Lodges in Arizona 20; members 1,912, a gain of 105.

Henry Alfred Morgan, Wilcox, Grand Master.

George J. Roskrue, Tucson, Grand Secretary.

1912.

The thirtieth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Arizona was opened at Prescott February 13, 1912. Henry Alfred Morgan Grand Master. All the lodges in the state, twenty in number, were represented. Fourteen Past Grand Masters were present. The representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada was not.

"Since our last meeting," said the Grand Master, "great and momentous events have transpired within our boundaries and beyond our borders." The principal of these were the admission of Arizona to full membership in the federation of states, and a rebellion in Mexico. The former will never occur again: the latter is perennial.

Bro. Morgan approved of the proposal to erect a memorial to Washington the Mason, and appointed a distinguished brother to represent Arizona at the convention.

A member of a lodge in Arizona who had gone to California, expressed a wish that at his death the Master and Wardens of his mother lodge should bury him with Masonic ceremonies. The request having been laid

before the Grand Master of California, that brother decided that the ceremony must be performed by the officers of the California lodge, but that the officers of the Arizona lodge might officiate. "This," he said, "seems to be satisfactory to all concerned; and, as it is perfectly legal, it will not involve any question of interstate jurisdiction."

A charter was granted to one lodge during the year.

A request for recognition by the Grand Lodge of Porto Rico was laid over for a year.

By invitation of the Mayor of Prescott the members of Grand Lodge marched to the court-house square, where the Grand Master planted an oak tree "to celebrate the occasion of Admission Day of the State of Arizona."

There is no report on Foreign Correspondence.

Lodges in Arizona 20; members 2,014, an increase of 102.

Harry Arizona Drachman, Tucson, Grand Master.

George J. Roskruge, Tucson, Grand Secretary.

ARKANSAS.

The seventieth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Arkansas was opened at Little Rock November 21, 1911. F. G. Lindsey Grand Master. Twelve Past Grand Masters were present; also Bro. T. M. Horsfall, representing the Grand Lodge of Canada.

During the year there had been four emergent meetings of Grand Lodge, all for the purpose of laying corner-stones.

Immediately after the opening the names of all deceased Past Grand Masters of Masons in Arkansas were read, and "the funeral honors were given in memory of these eminent and beloved brethren."

The address of the Grand Master was almost purely a business document; and, while it is an able and carefully-prepared paper, there is little in it of interest except to brethren in Arkansas. In the opening the Grand Master said:

We are assembled to-day for the transaction of such business as the good of Masonry and the Craft and the welfare of mankind demands of us, and in beginning this work we ought to seriously consider the responsibilities that this occasion and gathering brings to each and every one of us. The eyes, not only of the Christian world, but of the profane world, are upon

us, and it behooves us, therefore, to walk circumspectly in all our avocations of life, for "by their fruits ye shall know them." We should live and act our Masonry. The world needs our Masonic principles and our Masonic lives and true Masonic charity more to-day than ever before.

Bro. Lindsey gave a number of decisions, all of which were interpretations of the Masonic law of the jurisdiction.

Dispensations were granted for the formation of three new lodges.

We regret to notice that there were many trials for Masonic offences. No less than three Masters of lodges were suspended for cause, and there were several trials of brethren of lower rank.

The city of Texarkana is partly in Arkansas and partly in Texas. An agreement was made by the two Grand Lodges that each lodge in the city, no matter which State they might be in, should be at liberty to accept candidates from any part of the city. It was found, however, that this agreement was in violation of the constitution of the Grand Lodge of Texas, and it had to be abandoned, much to the regret of both bodies.

The Grand Secretary, Bro. Fay Hempstead, furnishes a list of "banner lodges," those which have initiated the greatest number of candidates. We cannot help thinking this to be a mistake. When lodges are encouraged to rivalry of this sort, there is danger that inferior material will be accepted. One lodge is reported to have initiated 43 candidates in one year. Can one help thinking that all these candidates did not freely and voluntarily seek the privileges and rights of Masonry?

The receipts of Grand Lodge were \$26,442, of which \$14,374 was for the support of the orphans' home.

The Foreign Correspondence is from the pen of Bro. George T. Black, assisted by Bro. S. C. Parrish.

Lodges in Arkansas 552, including nine under dispensation. Members, 19,895.

Mark P. Olney, Mena, Grand Master.

Fay Hempstead, Little Rock, Grand Secretary.

BRITISH COLUMBIA.

Two special meetings of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia were held in 1910—the first on the 5th of October, for the purpose of considering and adopting a new constitution; and the second on the 22nd of the same month, for the laying of the corner-stone of a convalescent and emergency hospital at the town of Duncans.

The fortieth Annual Communication was opened at Victoria June 22, 1911, with Grand Master Edward B. Paul on the throne. Lodges represented, 52; unrepresented 7. The representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada was in attendance.

The Grand Master's address was brief and business-like. It congratulates the craft in British Columbia on the prosperity of Masonry in the Pacific province, and especially upon the excellent character of the material accepted. The increase in numbers during the year was about ten per cent..

The Grand Master ruled that a man who, from spinal trouble, could not assume an erect position, his head being carried forward at an angle of about twenty degrees, was not an eligible candidate for Freemasonry.

Another ruling was as follows:

Elk River Lodge, before admitting candidates for initiation, has been in the habit of asking the following questions:

- (1) Do you believe in the existence of a Supreme Being?
- (2) Do you believe that that Supreme Being will punish vice and reward virtue?
- (3) Do you believe that that Supreme Being has revealed His will to man?

Until last regular meeting those questions have always been answered in the affirmative. At last meeting a candidate for initiation answered the first question in the affirmative, but refused to answer the second any further than saying "I do not know." As he would not answer the second question, the third was not put to him. His initiation was deferred until your ruling could be procured.

Are we correct in asking these questions? If so, is it imperative that they be answered in the affirmative?

Answer. The first of the Ancient Charges clearly defines the latitude in opinion permitted to brethren of the craft, and the 19th and 20th Landmarks, given in our Book of Ceremonies, contain all that may be considered common matter of belief by Free Masons. Beyond these tenets brethren have the utmost liberty of thought. I am, therefore, of opinion that, though some may think that questions 2 and 3 are natural corollaries of

question 1, the propounding of such questions is not only unnecessary, but contrary to the usages of the craft.

The initiation of the candidate in question, therefore, should no longer be deferred for the sole reason that he would not give an affirmative answer to question 2.

The committee on the Grand Master's Address, while not absolutely disapproving of the ruling, recommended that lodges which had been asking the questions should be permitted to continue the practice; and the report of the committee was adopted.

V.W. Bro. Brett, who had been for many years the Grand Secretary, was compelled to retire, in order that he might give his time to his private business, and the loss to the craft was suitably acknowledged. Bro. Brett was an excellent Grand Secretary, and a valued adviser and assistant of the Grand Master.

The following sentences from Bro. Paul's concluding remarks are well worth reproduction:

Of course, so long as men are men, one cannot expect that they will be perfect, and that they will uniformly and consistently live up to the lofty ideals placed before them in the sublime teachings of the craft. But I am convinced that the world will, as time goes on, more and more feel the influence of Freemasonry, if Masons will continue to be true to themselves, and faithful to the great trust reposed in them. Let us ever remember that, like our operative brethren, we must work. The working tools were not placed in our hands to be merely looked at and then put aside to rust in idleness. They are for daily and hourly use. Let us not forget their sublime symbolism, by which we are taught that we must so divide our time that we may give due attention to our duties to God, our neighbor and ourselves; that renunciation must precede all spiritual progress; that our lives should be upright, honest, moral; that pride and arrogance should give way to humility and respect; and above all, that we should be bound to each other by brotherly love, which is the cement of our spiritual building, and without which that building could not endure.

The report of the committee on Foreign Correspondence is by V.W. Bro. W. A. DeWolf Smith. It is a comprehensive and careful résumé of the doings of Grand Lodges throughout the world.

Bro. Smith thinks the ruling of M.W. Bro. Macwatt that a tyler must be a member of the lodge he serves calls for "special mention." It may be observed that our constitution makes the tyler an officer of the lodge, and further provides that no brother can be an officer

of a lodge until he has been admitted a member thereof by ballot.

Bro. Smith is still unreconciled to the ruling of a Grand Master in this jurisdiction that a Past Master who had not served as Warden in this jurisdiction was ineligible to the office of Worshipful Master. The Grand Master in question ruled upon the law as he found it.

Lodges in British Columbia number 56; members 5,017, an increase of 468.

F. J. Burd, Vancouver, Grand Master.

W. A. DeWolf Smith, Box 189, New Westminster, Grand Secretary.

CALIFORNIA.

The sixty-second Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of California was opened at San Francisco October 10, 1911. Dana Reid Weller Grand Master. Lodges represented 313, including four under dispensation. Nine Past Grand Masters were present.

In his address the Grand Master deplored the loss by death of two Past Grand Masters—Wiley James Tinnin, who was Grand Master in 1885, and who had lived in California sixty years; also Edmund Clement Atkinson, who was Grand Master in 1886.

Several visits by Bro. Weller to the Masonic Home satisfied him that absolute harmony and contentment existed among the inmates, and he added:

From a state of skepticism caused by reports based upon inadequate information as to the efficacy and economy of Masonic Homes, I have been converted to the firm belief that we have properly solved the problem of the care of our unfortunate brethren, with justice to them and to ourselves.

Fourteen special communications of Grand Lodge had been held during the year, for the dedication of Masonic halls and laying corner-stones.

The Grand Master had refused permission to lodges to appear in a public demonstration, on the ground that "it was not a Masonic ceremony, and was contrary to the decisions of our Grand Lodge."

The address was brief, and for the most part business-like; but Bro. Weller was able to congratulate the brethren on the prosperity of Masonry in California,

and especially on its prospects for the near future. He said:

The present generation has witnessed the most marvelous advancement in the material knowledge of man that the world has ever known. Science has subjugated and made subservient that potent and unknown force which is the basic principle of so many of the inventions that have excited the wonder and admiration of the observers. And all this has been accomplished in utter ignorance of what it is or why it exists—only its laws have been discovered and put to practical use. Masonry possesses a subtle power and influence, which it exerts in the same mysterious way over those who study its laws and practice its precepts. Its origin and the reason for its existence, while interesting, are less important than its practical application to the lives and characters of its novitiates.

The brethren of California are called upon to assist many Masons who go west in search of health, fail to find it, and become destitute. The boards of relief are princely in their generosity, and some of the money they grant to the needy is returned to them; a great deal is not. In the year under review the Board of Relief of the city of San Francisco paid out more than \$14,000. Of this total \$5,520 was paid to Masons belonging to other jurisdictions in the United States; and about \$3,000 to Masons from foreign jurisdictions and those of doubtful record. Of the relief given to foreign Masons about one-third was returned. In Los Angeles the payments amounted to \$13,112 and the returns to \$5,564. And so in other parts of the State, but not to the same amount. In view of the condition of things the California brethren have reissued the following appeal:

Brethren, throughout the United States, who may read this report: In the name of Humanity, don't send your consumptives and otherwise hopeless invalids to the Pacific Coast, unless they have sufficient means to take care of themselves. It is not doing them a kindness, and it is positively unjust to the craft in the West. It is hard enough for a well man to get a position, but for an invalid it is impossible.

The large corporations and business houses require their employees to pass a physical examination before accepting them—and rest assured the physicians who make those examinations are honest and give their employers the benefit of the doubt. Forty years of age is also the limit.

The lodges in the State contributed \$45,836 for the support of Masonic homes, or one dollar for each Master Mason in the State. There were at the date of the

report 154 inmates of the two homes; and, as other revenues were received besides the per capita tax, the cost of maintaining one inmate was more than \$300.

A proposed amendment of the constitution forbidding the initiation of persons engaged in the manufacture or sale of intoxicating liquors, either as principal or agent, was defeated; also a resolution forbidding the use of wines or other intoxicants at Masonic banquets.

An amendment was adopted requiring candidates for initiation to fill out and sign answers to the following questions:

1. What is your full name?.....
2. What is your age?.....
3. Where were you born?.....
4. Where do you reside?.....
5. State explicitly your business occupation for the past ten years, and where conducted.....
6. Have you resided in the State of California the twelve months last past, and the place above named more than six months?.....
7. Where have you resided the ten years last past? If in more than one place, state the particular years in each place.
8. Have you ever presented a petition to any Masonic lodge? If so, when and to what lodge?.....
9. Have you ever been rejected by any Masonic lodge? If so, when and by what lodge?.....
10. Do you believe in God and a future existence?.....
11. Are you in sound bodily health?.....
12. Do you know of any physical, legal or moral reason which would prevent you from becoming a Freemason? State particularly any physical deformity or defect.....
13. Have you read all the questions contained in the foregoing petition? Are all of your answers thereto in your own handwriting? And do you, upon your honor, declare your foregoing statements to be true?.....

The foreign correspondence is conducted by Bro. Edward H. Hart with great ability, sound discretion, and unfailing fairness.

Lodges 313; members 45,836.

Alonzo J. Monroe, Eureka. Grand Master.

John Whicher, San Francisco. Grand Secretary.

COLORADO.

The fifty-first Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Colorado was opened at Denver September 19, 1911. Albert B. McGaffey Grand Master. Lodges represented 119; unrepresented 4. M. W. Bro. James R. Killian, Representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada, was present.

The Grand Master reported peace and prosperity within his jurisdiction. He said:

I am pleased to be able to state that the condition of the lodges in this jurisdiction, as a whole, is very good, indeed. There are a few in which some things can be improved, but peace and harmony prevail and no contention exists. As a Grand Jurisdiction we are at peace with the world.

No deaths of prominent Masons had occurred during the year.

Four lodges were consecrated and a dispensation had been issued for the formation of a new lodge. Six lodge rooms were dedicated, and ten corner-stones were laid with Masonic ceremonies. In all there had been eighteen special communications of Grand Lodge.

Bro. McGaffey refused permission to a lodge "to attend divine service in an Episcopal Church." His reason was that "Masonry is universal. It embraces men of all nations and every faith and creed. We have in our lodges Jews, Christians, Mohammedans, Buddhists, etc., men of all faiths and all beliefs." And he thinks that because some of these could not conscientiously attend service in a Christian church, therefore none should be allowed to attend it. If there are any who cannot conscientiously attend service in a Christian church, they have the privilege of staying at home. And if they cannot conscientiously go to church themselves, they will not suffer injury when others go to church. But we think that Masons should be broad enough and charitable enough to be willing to attend service in any place, even though they might not be able to assent to everything said there. If Bro. McGaffey is so tender of the consciences of non-Christian brethren, why does he not advocate removal of the Book of the Christian's faith from Masonic altars?

He refused permission to a lodge to meet in the open air on the top of a mountain to confer the Master Mason degree. There, we think, he was right.

Grand Lodge appropriated \$2,500 toward paying the expenses of the conclave of Knights Templar to be held in 1913.

The excellent report on Foreign Correspondence is by M. W. Bro. Lawrence N. Greenleaf, who tells us that this is his twenty-seventh report, the twenty-third in consecutive order. May he make many more.

The Colorado Report of Proceedings is one of the best, typographically, which comes to us. It cannot help being well printed, since its printer was born in Hamilton and began to learn his trade here.

Lodges 271; members 14,917, a gain of 706.

H. W. Woodward, Leadville, Grand Master.

Charles H. Jacobson, Denver, Grand Secretary.

CONNECTICUT.

The one hundred and twenty-fourth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Connecticut was opened at Hartford January 17, 1912. Randolph B. Chapman Grand Master. Eleven Past Grand Masters were present, and 110 lodges were represented. R. W. Bro. Clarence R. Austin, Representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada, was present.

Five emergent meetings had been held during the year, four of them for the laying of corner-stones, and one for the purpose of laying in the ground the remains of M. W. Bro. Samuel Bassett.

The Grand Master tells us the condition of Masonry in Connecticut is excellent. "We have," he says, "had a prosperous year, and harmony prevails throughout the jurisdiction. Our relations with other Grand Lodges remain cordial, and the future looks bright."

"We are all proud of our Masonic home," says the Grand Master, "and it is extremely gratifying to note a growing interest in it among the craft." The home is supported by a tax levied upon the lodges according to membership; but we do not learn the number of inmates, the cost of maintenance, nor the amount of the tax.

The Grand Secretary, M. W. Bro. Frank W. Havens, conducts the Foreign Correspondence with marked ability. He corrects an error into which we fell respecting the chain letter issued in behalf of the McKinley memorial at Canton, Ohio. Chain letters had been

circulated in abundance soliciting assistance to build a monument to the murdered President. It was known that the monument was completed and paid for. Judge Day, of the Supreme Court of the United States, was the recipient of the money. He had been officially written to by the Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Canada, and had sent no answer. Then we concluded that the whole transaction was fraudulent. Bro. Havens now gives us Judge Day's account of the business:

Shortly after President McKinley died the McKinley National Memorial Association was organized, of which I was elected president, and am still holding that office. Without the authority of the Memorial Association various endless chain schemes were started for the purpose of raising funds for the memorial to be erected at Canton, Ohio. At a meeting of the trustees of the Association it was determined to receive these contributions, and place the proceeds in the hands of the treasurer in aid of the building fund. Quite a considerable sum was received from such sources. The letters were addressed to me at Canton, Ohio, as president of the Association, and forwarded by the postmaster there to the treasurer of the Association, ex-Governor Myron T. Herrick, Cleveland, Ohio.

The monument is completed and paid for, but we still lack an endowment fund for the care of the Memorial and grounds. Since the completion of the Memorial the endless chain contributions and all others are placed in the endowment fund, which is still insufficient for the purpose desired.

Well, "let it go at that."

Lodges in Connecticut 110; members 23,770, a gain of 520.

Justin Holden, Norwich, Grand Master.

Frank W. Havens, Hartford, Grand Secretary.

COSTA RICA.

The Grand Lodge of Costa Rica has issued a small volume of the Proceedings for the years 1907-8-9, printed in English. The business reported covers merely routine transactions, and is of no general interest. The constitution declares that the Grand Lodge of Costa Rica "restricts its operations to Craft Masonry, over which it exercises sovereign and absolute authority, judicial, legislative and executive, in the Republic of Costa Rica."

There appear to be five active lodges and one dormant. The total membership in 1909 was returned at 199.

With one exception the active lodges work "the Spanish ritual of the Scottish Rite," and one works "the English ritual of St. John of Scotland."

Ramon Castro is Grand Master, and Antonio Castro, San José, Grand Secretary. The Grand Master's address is not given.

CUBA.

The Grand Lodge of Cuba holds quarterly and annual sessions. The Annual Communication was held at Santiago March 26, 1911. Aurelio Miranda Grand Master. Forty lodges were represented, and eleven Past Grand Masters were in attendance. The representative of Canada does not appear to have been present.

In his opening address the Grand Master congratulated the brethren on the fact that Grand Lodge had completed fifty years of active existence, and that it had prospered and was prospering.

Among the events of the year which seemed worthy of note, he referred to the fact that the President of the Republic had invited members of Grand Lodge to attend his New Year's reception, that they did attend, and were cordially received. This, he said, was the first time in the history of the body that such an invitation had been received.

When the barracks at Pinar del Rio were wrecked, the first money assistance in aid of the sufferers received by the Provincial Governor was sent by Grand Lodge.

The Grand Secretary reported 73 lodges in existence, a gain of ten; and 3,038 members, a gain of 408.

Bro. F. de P. Rodrigues is chairman of the committee on Foreign Relations. One of the recommendations of the committee was that Cuba abandon her claim to perpetual jurisdiction over rejected material.

On the whole, Cuban Masonry appears to be doing good work, to be progressive and enlightened, and to be worthy of fraternal countenance by the Masonic bodies of the world.

Aurelio Miranda, Havana, Grand Master.

Carlos G. Charles, Havana, Grand Secretary.

DELAWARE.

The one hundred and sixth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Delaware was opened at Wilmington October 4, 1911. G. Layton Grier Grand Master. Ten Past Grand Masters were present. The representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada was not present.

In opening his address the Grand Master declared that his intention was to "give an account of his stewardship." He said: "Our officers are not those who rule by right, but are merely brethren who are temporarily called to serve, and when they surrender their offices and become again humble craftsmen, they are without reward unless they can feel that they have served the fraternity to the best of their ability, and retire with the kindly good wishes of their fellow-craftsmen."

In May, 1911, he had written the Grand Master of Pennsylvania as follows:

I am informed that recently Goddard Lodge, No. 383, located at Coatesville, Pa., invaded the Jurisdiction of Delaware, performing labor in the burial of one of its members.

Believing that you will not sanction such acts, and that you desire information of any irregularity, I respectfully call this matter to your attention for investigation, that the facts may be learned, so that you may be able to prevent a repetition of this occurrence.

At the time Grand Lodge met he had received no reply to his letter.

He had declined to sanction the conferring of the Entered Apprentice degree on a candidate for a lodge in Oklahoma, on the ground that there was no way of identifying the person who had been elected with the person who presented himself to the lodge for initiation.

A request from the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico, lately changed to the York Grand Lodge of Mexico, was laid over for further consideration; as was a like request from the Grand Lodge of Porto Rico.

M.W. Bro. Harry J. Guthrie is chairman of the committee on Foreign Correspondence, and he presents a valuable and discriminating report on the proceedings of nearly sixty Grand Lodges.

There are in Delaware 22 lodges, with 3,224 members, an increase for the year of 116.

Enoch Moore, Wilmington, Grand Master.

Virginus V. Harrison, Wilmington, Grand Secretary.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

The Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia holds quarterly and annual communications.

At the first quarterly communication, held March 11, 1911, no ordinary business was transacted, but brethren, who were selected from a number of lodges, exemplified the three degrees for the instruction of members of Grand Lodge.

At the May communication a committee reported in favor of recognizing the "York Grand Lodge of Mexico," and the report of the committee was adopted. The Library committee reported that:

The actual use of the library is confined to the circulation of current fiction, that between nine hundred and a thousand books are loaned monthly, and that at least 80 per cent. of the books loaned are taken by ladies of the families of the brethren. While there is an excellent collection of Masonic and general reference books and a good miscellaneous library, fiction alone is called for. The library being highly appreciated and extensively used, as stated, the committee does not recommend any radical departure from the present situation.

At a special communication held on the 18th of October, the Grand Master laid the corner-stone of the new temple of the Supreme Council of the Scottish Rite (Southern Jurisdiction). The ceremonies were imposing, and the addresses were of a high order, but the space at our disposal does not permit us to make extracts.

The one hundred and first Annual Communication was held December 20, 1911. Grand Master Keiper said the year had been one "fraught with great interest, characterized by remarkable activity, and marked by happenings so momentous as to be far beyond the ordinary and the usual."

A member of Congress from Texas having petitioned a Washington lodge for initiation, the Grand Master, after correspondence with the Grand Master of Texas, decided that the gentleman's legal residence was

in Texas, and that, consequently, he could not be accepted by a lodge in Washington.

Of the condition of Masonry in the District of Columbia Bro. Keiper said:

It affords me pleasure to be able to report that the past year has been one of commendable activity along all lines of Masonic work, and that our lodges are in a flourishing condition, both numerically and financially. There have been added to our rolls during the year from all sources 644 members, and the losses have aggregated 538, leaving a net gain of 106 and bringing the total number of Master Masons on the register of the Grand Lodge on September 30, 1911, to 9,111.

One new lodge was consecrated during the year.

At the stated communication held December 27, 1911, the officers-elect were installed. Attention was called to the fact that the bodies of a considerable number of Masons are now cremated; and that the burial service is not at all in keeping with the depositing of a box of ashes in a vault. The Grand Master recommended that the matter be referred to a special committee, with a view to revision of the burial service, and it was so ordered.

The Masonic Home of the District cost nearly \$30,000; its total assets are \$40,000; there are seventeen inmates, and the cost of maintenance last year was \$3,720.61.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is well written by M. W. Bro. George W. Baird, who supplies a hundred and fifty pages of "good readin'." He has fallen into an error of no great importance in his chapter on Canada. He says:

The Grand Master dedicated 76 lodges this year, against 48 last year. There is no better evidence of the prosperity of the Craft than this.

This is giving us too much credit. The year under review was a good one for Canadian Masonry, and the prosperity was due in no small measure to the zeal and activity of Grand Master Macwatt; but the dedications referred to were of lodge rooms, not lodges. In this jurisdiction we dedicate rooms or buildings to the uses of Masonry; we consecrate lodges to the service of God and the welfare of mankind.

Lodges 29; members 9,111.

Ben W. Murch, Washington. Grand Master.

Arvine W. Johnston, Washington, Grand Secretary.

ENGLAND.

The reports of the quarterly meetings of the Grand Lodge of England are brief and contain little besides routine business. At times, however, we get intimations of the manner in which English Masonic charities are conducted, and the manner in which Grand Lodge deals with business. For example, at the quarterly meeting held December 6, 1911, thirty-seven petitioners were relieved to the extent of £1,060, and fourteen other brethren, widows and orphans, were recommended for relief to the extent of £915. The smallest grant made was £50, or \$250. These grants were wholly outside of the beneficences of the great charities of the Grand Lodge.

At the same meeting the Board reported that a lodge in New Zealand had formally transferred its allegiance to the Grand Lodge of New Zealand. The Grand Lodge of England cannot drive out a provincial lodge which desires to remain in the parent fold, but when a lodge wishes to join the provincial body it is quite at liberty to do so.

The following entry will appeal strongly to those who are familiar with contemporary Masonic history:

The Board desires to record its deep sense of the loss the Craft has suffered by the death of W. Bro. Henry Sadler, P.A.G.D.C., who had most faithfully served Grand Lodge for a period of 46 years, and to whose special knowledge, zeal and unremitting attention, Grand Lodge is indebted to a very great extent for the acquisition of its present valuable, extensive and interesting library and museum. The Board cannot but recognize the fact that no small part of the information on Masonic matters in days gone by, which the Craft is now in possession of, is due to the erudition and painstaking research of Bro. Sadler.

There have been more brilliant and better-known writers than Bro. Sadler; there have been none who have contributed more valuable research and more useful knowledge to Masonry.

At the meeting held March 6, 1912, the Pro Grand Master gave a very interesting account of his then recent visit to Germany. Among other things, he said:

I learnt with keen gratification that many of the brethren in Germany have long since been deeply convinced that Freemasonry may yet prove to be a great and potent agency for promoting good feeling between one nation and another, not by

any public demonstrations or those methods depending upon the publicity and advertisement which are the resources of ordinary and ephemeral organizations, but by the private and friendly intercourse of individuals. It is such intercourse, they maintain, which tends better than anything else to remove misunderstanding due to false public information and to spread in ever-widening circles, like the noiseless ripples of a pebble thrown into a lake, the influences of mutual respect and good feeling.

At the last Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, W. Bro. Balch, of London, England, delivered a very interesting address, in the course of which he gave more information as to the extent of English Masonic charities than we have found elsewhere, and from that address we make the following extracts. No apology is made for the length of these extracts. Their value makes the whole story interesting:

In the first place, the success of charities in England is owing very largely, I think, to one thing, one fundamental fact—that they begin in the individual lodge. The Grand Lodge itself has no charity fund, in the ordinary sense, excepting the Benevolent Fund. The three great Masonic charities of England are not controlled by the Grand Lodge at all. They are controlled by independent boards. These three institutions are the Royal Masonic Institution for Boys, the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls, and the Royal Masonic Institution for Aged Freemasons and their Wives and Daughters. I speak without having the figures before me, but I am not overstating the matter when I say that the invested funds of these three charities at the present time are more than three millions of dollars.

Besides these large invested funds, each of these charities has an annual festival. That annual festival is usually presided over by some Provincial Grand Master, who is a Duke or an Earl, as almost all the Provincial Grand Masters are—men of great social distinction in England. At these charity festivals there are a number of Masons appointed as Stewards to carry around the subscription lists, and the Stewards who go up to these festivals to carry the subscription lists are each given a jewel. Many of these jewels are of very handsome design and well worth having, and for that reason I have pinned some of them on my breast to-night. Each one of these jewels represents a festival at which I was a Steward. In order to be a Steward you have got to contribute ten guineas to the particular charity fund which is holding the festival, and have to carry round a subscription list, soliciting other subscriptions during the festival. In each one of these three festivals the Stewards number between eleven and twelve hundred, each one of whom has given over \$60 personally, and has collected a very much larger amount, of course. As soon as the Stewards are appointed, some time before the festival, each of them makes up his own

list, each for his own lodge, and there is, of course, a considerable rivalry among lodges to be at the top of the list in the amount subscribed. In the lodge in which I was initiated the amount subscribed comes, very generally, to about thirty pounds; and you must remember, brethren, that our lodges are very much smaller in numbers than yours appear to be; they have very, very rarely more than fifty members. In that lodge that I have named they have this offering taken up on a certain lodge-night, and one of the officers of the lodge takes it up, and takes whatever he can get. In my mother lodge I had the honor to take up \$3,000 as my contribution as a Steward to one of these festivals; and in this lodge, which has had an existence now of thirty-four years, their total contributions to these funds have reached the total of \$55,000; to say nothing of the Chapter of the same name, which has given \$2,000 or \$3,000 more.

Now, that is all cultivated in the lodges. All these charities, these subscriptions to the three great Masonic charities of England, are made directly from the lodges. In many lodges they have a weekly sum to pay to the Benevolent Fund; and these contributions to the three charities are over and above what the lodge may do for individual members. The policy of the thing is to have this regular weekly contribution to the Benevolent Fund managed and controlled by the Grand Lodge, but that the contribution should be voluntary from the lodges to all these other three charities.

Now, the festivals for the boys take place in June, the festival for the girls in May, and the festivals for the aged people in February. There has never been a festival in recent years which has not produced more than \$125,000, contributed on that night. Generally it is more like \$150,000. That means, of course, \$450,000 contributed in any one year to these three charities by the Masonic Fraternity in England.

I may say also that they permit ladies to be Stewards for these festivals, who also have the same privieges, and also take up subscription lists.

In addition to that, there is no Province in England which has not its own benevolent fund, and which does not support its own charities. No brother can be put forward as a suitable object for relief unless he is put forward by his own lodge and has received assistance from his own lodge, and the Master and Junior or Senior Warden must attend before a board of benevolence and state what they know about this particular case. This committee, as you would call it, may give fifty pounds without reference to anybody, but if the sum required is above that they must refer it to the executive committee of the benevolent board.

I do not know any lodge in England which does not contribute to charity. They contribute also to local affairs and to the relief of any great affliction elsewhere in the world. My own lodge has contributed recently to the relief of the sick in India, to the famine fund; and the lodges contribute generously wherever there is need for the unfortunate people in floods, fires, famines and earthquakes. The Grand Lodge in England does that also; and competent men—although there is no complete record that has ever been published—but competent men

in the Craft, and men of high position outside of the Craft, have estimated—and I believe it to be absolutely true—that the annual contributions of Freemasons in the Kingdom of Great Britain does not fall below \$2,000,000 a year.

We reverence the Grand Lodge of England, and rightly so, because it is the mother Grand Lodge of the world. Let us reverence it all the more because its Masonic charities are more splendid than those of any other country. Just think of a lodge not exceeding fifty members contributing \$3,000 to charity in a single night—\$55,000 in thirty-four years! Just think of a Grand Lodge, whose membership is estimated at 200,000, giving \$2,000,000 in charity every year! Brethren, shall we take off our hats to the Grand Lodge of England? We shall make no mistake if we do.

GEORGIA.

The one hundred and twenty-fifth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Georgia was opened at Macon October 31, 1911. George W. Napier Grand Master. Four Past Grand Masters were in attendance, and 480 lodges were represented.

In his address the Grand Master said:

Freemasonry in Georgia is to-day at high tide. The Great Order, like an ever-flowing sea, with its tide rising, goes forward in the broad sweep of its swelling prosperity. We need to thank God, the Great Artificer, and to take courage; but, while pressing forward to the yet greater things which lie before us, we should let our hearts be constrained to humility and take heed that we do not seek to grow too rapidly in numbers.

Among the rulings made during the year were the following: (1) A Masonic lodge in this jurisdiction cannot have two places of meeting. There must be one regular, fixed place for its communications. (2) It is not advisable, but it is permissible, for a Masonic lodge to meet in the same room with a lodge of another secret, charitable and benevolent order, but in such case everything of a Masonic character should be safely stowed away after each meeting.

During the year Bro. Napier officially visited nearly sixty lodges. He says: "Much time has been devoted by me to this purpose, and travel was undertaken into every part of the State."

Seventeen lodges were consecrated, and dispensations were granted for the formation of ten new lodges.

The following incident noting Masonic benevolence

is well worth reproducing here:

Bro. J. A. Martin, a member of Hahira Lodge, No. 346, went to the city of New York early in October, taking his two little girls with him. In New York he was seized with a very dangerous illness, and as he was sent to the hospital, the Children's Court remanded the two little girls to the Gerry Society. This Society notified the brethren at Hahira, and they, in turn, wired the Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of New York to take charge of the children and send them home at the expense of the Hahira Lodge. The children were accompanied by Miss Hattie Pope, a daughter of the Grand Secretary. She was met in Atlanta by the grandfather of the children, but your Grand Master, being apprised of her coming, requested that in his absence some of the brethren of Atlanta would meet her and show her fraternal courtesy and assistance. This was done, and after delivering her young charges safely to the grandfather, she returned to her home city.

The Masonic Home has thirty-six inmates—twenty-eight children, seven women, and one man. The Grand Master thinks it is not wise to have children and adults in the same building, and he holds that there ought to be one class only, children or adults. He adds:

The average aged person, having attachments for the locality he or she has long lived in and for the friends and acquaintances long known, would be happier to remain with his or her own people. It costs us now \$193 per capita to maintain each inmate of the Home. The \$16 per month, if properly expended for the benefit of the old inmates, would, as a rule, make them happier in the home of some relative or friend. The room occupied by the aged people at the Home would accommodate more than twice as many children. By declining to take any more old people, and perhaps by allowing those there now the option of using the \$16 per month for their support, we might quickly change to the single feature of a children's home.

It is proposed to have a Grand Lodge temple. Land has been bought for it, and part of the money has been raised.

Bro. A. Q. Moody conducts the Foreign Correspondence, and presents an excellent report of 131 pages.

We take the liberty of calling the attention of M. W. Bro. Wolihin, the Grand Secretary, to the fact that he still reports the late Bro. Mason as Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

There are in Georgia 618 lodges, an increase of 18; and 35,323 members, an increase of 28.

George M. Napier, Decatur, Grand Master.

W. A. Wolihin, Macon, Grand Secretary.

IDAHO.

The forty-fourth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Idaho was opened at Boise September 12, 1911. Byron S. Defenbach Grand Master.

Fifty lodges were represented, including five under dispensation. Seven Past Grand Masters were in the East.

Grand Master Defenbach was able to speak with pride of the progress which Masonry had made in Idaho within the past few years. From a jurisdiction which recently consisted of a few widely-separated communities the craft has grown into an organization composed of 58 active lodges, with a membership of over 3,400 men. He added:

It is a great pleasure to know that the historic lodge room in which Idaho Masonry had its birth is still in existence, and is being used as of old for the propagation and dissemination of Masonic truths. Its walls are covered and its archives filled with the most interesting relics of our early existence. Every care should be taken to preserve these sacred mementos. The jewels, handwrought from native materials, the pillars carved from native woods, the hat the Master wore, and the very balances upon which the golden dues and fees were weighed, are precious memorials, which should be guarded with the most jealous care.

A brother applied to an Idaho lodge for affiliation. One black ball was cast against him, which, under the law, was sufficient to reject. The Master, however, declared him elected. The Grand Master, on appeal, decided that the election must stand. "it having been repeatedly held that, no matter how irregular the ballot, once the Master declares the applicant elected, he is elected, and entitled to every right and benefit."

The Grand Master recommended that steps be taken to have Grand Lodge and its subordinate lodges incorporated by act of the legislature.

Idaho, like other western states, suffers because members of eastern lodges go to the State seeking health and fail to find it. Then they die and are buried by the Idaho brethren. Bro. Defenbach says:

I can only recommend that in such cases our lodges take every possible precaution to secure authority from the deceased brother's lodge for the expenditure of money, and that such funerals be conducted at the very least possible expense consistent with decency. This expense, in my opinion, should not exceed one hundred dollars.

Nine lodges under dispensation were constituted and consecrated, and dispensations were granted for the formation of six new lodges.

Bro. George E. Knepper handles the foreign correspondence with his accustomed ability and judgment. He does not indulge in much personal comment, but contents himself with giving a résumé of the proceedings of sixty-seven Grand Lodges, a number of them for two years.

Lodges 67, including six under dispensation; members 3,568, a gain of 364.

Frank C. Bowman, Idaho Falls, Grand Master.

Theophilus W. Randall, Boise, Grand Secretary.

ILLINOIS.

The seventy-second Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Illinois was opened at Chicago October 10, 1911. Albert B. Ashley Grand Master. Twenty grand officers were present, and 761 lodges were represented.

The Grand Master reported peace and prosperity among the 800 lodges and 110,000 members of the Order in Illinois, while, he said, "our foreign relations continue most harmonious; nothing of a discordant nature exists either at home or abroad."

A feeling and eloquent tribute was paid to the worth and service of M.W. Bro. John Corson Smith, who was Grand Master in 1887-88, and who died on the last day of 1910. Grand Lodge was convened at the home of Bro. Smith, and the funeral ceremony was conducted by the Grand Master.

Bro. Ashley recommended more careful examination of Grand Lecturers, and that certificates of proficiency be issued to those who could prove themselves qualified to instruct their brethren. Mere knowledge of the work is not sufficient to secure a certificate; ability to teach others is as important as familiarity with the ritual of the several degrees.

During the year ten lodges were constituted and consecrated, and dispensations were issued for the formation of nineteen new lodges. The Grand Master had refused to institute lodges in buildings partly occupied as saloons. "We cannot," he said, "be too zealous in protecting the good name of Masonry," and

he would like to see the law so amended that it would prohibit any lodge in Illinois from occupying any part of a building where a liquor store is located.

Nineteen corner-stones were laid. One of the pleasantest of these ceremonies was that of the laying of the corner-stone of the Masonic Orphans' Home at La Grange. "Commanderies of Knights Templar, Royal Arch Chapters and Chapters of the Order of the Eastern Star were in line." There was rather a mixing of things there. But, by the way, a body of Knights Templar is not a Commandery, but a Preceptory. When there were active militant Templars in existence each body was presided over by a Preceptor, and houses of the order were called preceptories. Bodies of the Hospitallers were presided over by Commanders; hence the houses of the order were called commanderies. When the order of the Temple was suppressed in England its property was ordered to be transferred to the Hospitallers, and a large part of it was actually so transferred, while a good deal of it was seized by the church and by powerful nobles. There was a good deal of confusion in the public mind as to the title of the transferred houses. By some they were called commanderies; by most they continued to be called preceptories. But there need be no confusion now; all houses of the Templars are properly called preceptories.

Bro. Ashley says that official communications between lodges in Illinois and lodges in other States frequently go direct from Master to Master; and he points out that all such communications ought to pass through the proper channels—that is, through the Grand Masters of the several jurisdictions.

He also calls attention to the fact that District Deputy Grand Masters ought not to give official decisions or rulings, but should refer all questions of Masonic law to the Grand Master.

He had been unable to accept invitations he had received to attend social Masonic functions. He said:

Soon after my election, two years ago, I found that to respond to all or many of the invitations of a social character would seriously interfere with the legitimate duties of the Grand Master. I have in consequence declined to accept most of them. This may be an old foggy idea, but I have thought that I could do more good in devoting what spare time I had

to lodges that are weak and need encouragement than in attending social functions.

In Illinois some lodges are entitled to one representative in Grand Lodge, some to two, and some to three. The Grand Master recommended that each lodge should have but one representative, and this recommendation, after reference to a special committee, was approved and made part of the law.

Bro. Ashley does not approve of those who say that Masonry "is a good enough religion for them," or that they "want no better church than the Masonic lodge." He says:

Those who are constantly expressing themselves in this way are doing an unconscious injury to Masonry. Such expressions embitter good people who do not understand what Masonry really is. . . . Masonry interferes with no man's religion or beliefs. He is left entirely free from creeds or sectarian restrictions. He must believe in the existence of God and proclaim his trust in Him. Each Mason not only is free in the exercise of his own religious rights and opinions, but he is strictly enjoined not to interfere with the religious views of others. If a man thinks that Masonry is good enough religion for him and lives a life in harmony with its professions, he need not go about proclaiming it. In doing so he gives a bad impression of himself and falsifies the true attitude of Masonry. Some with a good opinion of the Ancient Craft will be unfavorably influenced and decline to knock at our doors for admission. I shall be glad to have brethren admonished not to say or do that which will bring Masonry in conflict with religion and the church.

There are two Masonic homes in Illinois—one for aged Masons at Sullivan, and one for orphans at La Grange. The building at the latter place was finished during the year; was dedicated with imposing ceremonies, and the children were removed to it from their temporary quarters in Chicago. There is an average population of about 75 in the Orphans' Home, and 100 in the home for adults. The average expense for maintenance appears to be about \$300; but the payments on capital account are somewhat mixed with current expenditures, and this may not be accurate.

M.W. Bro. Owen Scott proposed an amendment to the constitution providing for a uniform lodge receipt for dues, which is intended to serve as documentary evidence of the holder's regularity and good standing. On the back of the certificate is to be a certificate from

the Grand Secretary that the lodge granting the receipt is a regular lodge warranted by the Grand Lodge of Illinois. Under the law the resolution stands over for a year.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is by M.W. Bro. Owen Scott, and is remarkably well written.

Bro. Scott figures out that there are about 1,911,000 Masons in the world, of whom 1,387,589 live in the United States. He estimates the strength of the Grand Lodge of England at 210,000. He gives the membership of some of the largest lodges as follows:

Palestine, Detroit, Mich.	1,602
Garden City, Chicago, Ill.	1,438
Genesee Falls, Rochester, N.Y. ...	1,396
Yonnonadio, Rochester, N.Y.	1,277
Zion, Detroit, Mich.	1,259

Bro. Scott observes that "It will not always do to conclude that because a thing is large that necessarily it is good."

He is inclined to start at the resolution adopted by our Board of General Purposes that "evening dress should be worn only at lodge or Grand Lodge meetings when held in the evening." Well, Canadian Masons see no reason why, in proper places and at proper times. Masons should not dress as gentlemen are wont to dress.

He also thinks it "narrow and unreasonable" to refuse the use of lodge rooms to bodies of the Eastern Star. He admits that "the Eastern Star is not Masonic and does not claim to be;" and doubtless he knows that the Constitution of Canada forbids the use of lodge rooms by non-Masonic bodies; but he thinks the constitution ought to be violated because the "good sisters are the wives and sisters and daughters of Masons." Well, "let it go at that."

There is every evidence throughout this valuable report that Masonry in Illinois stands well abreast of the best Masonic thought and the best Masonic activity in the world.

Number of chartered lodges 786; members June 30, 1911, 108,068, an increase of 5,801.

Delmar D. Darrah, Bloomington, Grand Master.

Isaac Cutter, Camp Point, Grand Secretary.

IOWA.

The sixty-sixth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Iowa was opened at Cedar Rapids June 13, 1911. Frederick W. Craig Grand Master. Lodges represented 462. Eleven Past Grand Masters were present.

Before the formal opening the officers and members of Grand Lodge marched in processsion to Green's opera house, escorted by Apollo Commandery of Knights Templar. where citizens and members of the order of the Eastern Star had assembled, and where an address of welcome was delivered and a suitable reply made.

In opening his address the Grand Master said:

Symbolic Masonry contains vast stores of wisdom, and almost any of her truths are capable of marvellous application. To illustrate: It is tritely said that we are to subdue the passions, act upon the square, keep a tongue of good report, maintain secrecy, and practice charity. Here is a great code of morals and ethics contained in a few words, and one who follows the admonitions therein contained will not be a bad fellow inhabitant of mother earth.

He deplored the loss by death of two Past Grand Masters of the jurisdiction—David Watherup Clements, who was Grand Master in 1909, and Willard Lee Eaton, Grand Master in 1900.

Dispensations, were issued during the year for the constitution of two new lodges. and the issue of a warrant for one lodge was ordered.

Three lodge rooms were dedicated, and three corner-stones laid. Bro. Craig said: "I deem it to be the duty of the Grand Master to preside over emergency sessions of the Grand Lodge in person, and I am gratified to report that I have been able to do this in each case."

He approves of direct money grants to the needy, supplementary to the grants of private lodges, thinking that system secures better results than the system of Masonic homes. He said:

Our system of supplementing the local resources for charity, when needed, through our Trustees of the Grand Lodge Charity Fund has proved to be most successful. It is more economical than caring for dependents through a Masonic home, and at

the same time more desirable. The destitute one is cared for under our system in his own town, in the home of some relative or friend, among friends of long standing, without public knowledge of the aid received, unostentatiously, and that is the proper way to dispense charity.

He appointed a committee, the duty of which is to enquire as to the status of foreign Grand Lodges, and to lay down the conditions under which fraternal recognition ought to be granted.

Past Grand Master Cleveland was appointed Historian of Grand Lodge.

M. W. Bro. Louis Block is chairman of the committee on Fraternal Correspondence, and he presents an excellently-prepared and extensive report. Bro. Block thinks that:

It is in the life and conduct of its masters that Masonry finds its noblest interpretation, and unless we know these we cannot make that interpretation our own. It is the duty of the Fraternal Correspondent to try to picture to his brethren, by means of extract, quotation, and comment, not only what is being said and done by the leaders of the order, but also the mighty movements that are being carried on by the harmonious workings of the Masonic masses, guided and inspired by that splendid leadership. This we have tried to do.

Let us accept that view with this qualification, that the brethren are more instructed by, and are more interested in, what the Masonic bodies of the world are doing than by what the fraternal correspondents are saying.

Referring to the fact that a Grand Master in Canada ruled that a candidate having an artificial foot was ineligible for initiation, Bro. Block says this reminds him of what Bro. Roe Fulkerson, of Washington, D.C., said about "shutting out the man with the wooden leg and letting in the man with the wooden head." Which is an entire begging of the question. Is it quite certain that men with wooden heads are considered good material in Canada? And is it quite just, or quite charitable, or quite Masonic, to intimate that they are? Our Canadian law is that a candidate must be capable of

complying literally with all the requirements of our ceremonies. That is the law in England, in most of the States of that great republic of which Bro. Block is so valued a citizen, and it is the law in the greater part of the Masonic world. There must be some physical qualification. A man who has no legs at all, or no arms, or who is totally blind or deaf, may be a most estimable citizen and man, but even Bro. Block would hardly propose such an one for membership. The old law was that the candidate must be a perfect youth and one capable of performing the lord's work. We shall not go far astray if we adhere with reasonable fidelity to the old landmarks.

Typographically the Iowa report is one of the best which reaches us.

Lodges in Iowa 521, including one under dispensation; members 44,399, a gain of 186.

Louis Block, Davenport, Grand Master.

Newton R. Parvin, Cedar Rapids, Grand Secretary.

IRELAND.

The Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Ireland was held at Dublin on St. John's Day, Dec. 27, 1911. Sir Charles A. Cameron, Deputy Grand Master, was on the throne. The principal information respecting Masonry in Ireland is derived from the addresses of the Deputy Grand Master and the Grand Secretary. From the former we learn that our order is flourishing in the Emerald Isle. Sir Charles said:

Our report refers to the number of new lodges which have been established during the year. Six new warrants have been issued, and one has been surrendered, so that our net gain of lodges is five. Well, brethren, it appears to me something remarkable that in the decay during recent years of many institutions in this country that Freemasonry has gone on flourishing to an extent unprecedented, even in the rather rosy

period of Freemasonry in Dublin, the end of the eighteenth century. When I was made a Freemason in 1859 there were sixteen lodges in Dublin. The number to-day is forty-eight, or exactly three times the number existing in the year 1859.

It appears that a servant in livery may not be made a Mason in Ireland. In the report of the Deputy Grand Secretary we find the following paragraph:

In two or three lodges a difficulty was felt in the interpretation of G. L. Law No. 135, as to whether or not a chauffeur would come within the description of a "domestic livery servant," and referred the matter to the Board. The Board ruled each case on its merits, but the general consideration which guided their decision was that if he dwelt in his employer's house, and was supplied with clothes by him, then he substantially occupied the same position as a coachman, and was therefore ineligible for admission under the rules. On the other hand, if he was not subject to those conditions there was nothing in the occupation itself to bar his admission.

While the Grand Lodge of Ireland does not give the number of its members, the report indicates that there is a steady increase. Bro. Flavelle says:

For the past ten or twelve years the general income of the Grand Lodge has reached and maintained a level far beyond any previous period in the history of the Order in Ireland, and although the exact figures for 1911 cannot be obtained until the 31st of the current month, yet there is little doubt but that the present year will prove a record one from a financial point of view. Comparing the year's receipts up to the 16th December with the corresponding period for 1910, I find that the fees received for the registration of new members are in excess of that year by a sum of £183, and reach a total of £1,410. This roughly represents some 1,500 initiations during the year, and is a most gratifying indication of the present prosperity of the craft in Ireland.

The various charities of the Grand Lodge are well maintained. During the year legacies to the amount of about \$9,000 were received from brethren in aid of the several charitable funds.

No change has taken place among the grand officers. Communications should be addressed to H. E. Flavelle, Deputy Grand Secretary, Dublin.

KANSAS.

The fifty-sixth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Kansas was opened at Topeka February 21, 1912. Alexander A. Sharp Grand Master. Lodges represented 303; unrepresented 91. Fourteen Past Grand Masters were present. A large number of Representatives of foreign Grand Lodges answered to their names, including W. Bro. John C. Ketcheson, representing the Grand Lodge of Canada.

In his address the Grand Master deplored the death of M. W. Bro. Chiles C. Coleman, who was Grand Master in 1896.

Four lodges had been consecrated during the year, and dispensations had been issued for the formation of seven new lodges.

Bro. Sharp warns brethren and lodges against chain letters, begging letters, and all appeals of that sort, which sharpers are sending around under pretence of charity.

The Grand Master suggested the creation of an endowment fund by taxation of the lodges for the support of the Masonic Home, but a committee held that the home could be maintained by the present tax of 50 cents per member and the voluntary contributions of the brethren, and the tax was not imposed.

The Foreign Correspondence is ably and judiciously handled by M. W. Bro. M. M. Miller. Bro. Miller had not received the Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Canada when he was "called off." Among his casual remarks is the following:

Masonry still enjoys the right to sing "Nearer, My God, to Thee," and the right to use the prayer formulated and taught by the Master as a proper expression of reverence for and praise and gratitude to "Our Father who art in Heaven."

The occasion for the paragraph was the decision of a Southern Grand Master that the hymn named was sectarian, and might not be sung in a lodge in that jurisdiction. But that Grand Master, though he was wrong, was a man, and, being convinced that he was wrong, he acknowledged the error and withdrew his edict. No doubt he is now glad that he did, for the wonderful, beautiful and grandly solemn scene on board the steamer Titanic, when the tune of "Nearer, My God, to Thee," was played by the band as the

great vessel sank beneath the waters of the ocean, was one which will give an additional sacredness, not only to the tune, but to the hymn itself, for all time to come.

There are in Kansas 400 lodges under warrant and seven under dispensation; members 37,305, a net increase of 1,809.

William E. Hutchison, Garden City, Grand Master.
Albert K. Wilson, Topeka, Grand Secretary.

LOUISIANA.

The Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Louisiana form decidedly the most interesting volume which reaches us this year. The body named was formally constituted on the 20th of June, 1812. Up to that time there had been twelve lodges in the state, all of them in New Orleans. Seven of them had been chartered by the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, two by the Grand Orient of France, and one each by the Grand Lodge of New York, the Grand Lodge of South Carolina and the Grand Consistory of Jamaica. Only seven of them survived in 1812, and all of these had American warrants. The history of the Grand Lodge is written by Bro. James B. Scot, and is full of interest and information.

While the Grand Lodge was formed in June, 1812, the centennial celebration took place on the 5th of February, 1912. The proceedings were varied and impressive, with historical sketches, eloquent addresses, and a banquet.

The one hundredth Annual Communication was opened at New Orleans February 5, 1912. John S. Thibaut Grand Master. Lodges represented 131; unrepresented 85. Eight Past Grand Masters were present; also the Representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

In opening his address Bro. Thibaut said the year had shown no more than normal growth in numbers, but there had been a marked improvement in the character of the material received. Naturally his thought turned toward the centennial just celebrated and the origin of the body over which he presided. He continued:

—Twin-born of our beloved state, it also has written history—a history which brings no shameful blush to our cheeks, but

rather the flush of pride for the character, virtues and deeds of those who have written it. And yet, my friends, proud as we may be of our Masonic lineage, it is not with the memories of the Past that we are to dwell. Its once busy existence, various sensations, fiery trials, dear-bought triumphs, its dynasty of heroes: all of its pulses of joy and anguish, and hope and fear, and love and praise, are with the years beyond recall. The sleeping and the dead are but pictures. Yet gazing on these, long and intently, and often, we may pass into the likeness of the departed and may emulate their labors and partake of their immortality.

Five lodges under dispensation received their charters and were consecrated during the year.

The Grand Master was not wholly in accord with the scheme for erecting a memorial to Washington the Mason, as he was "unable to appreciate the real benefits to accrue from this organization." But he laid the correspondence before Grand Lodge. We do not find that any action was taken.

The Grand Lodges Alpina, of Switzerland, and of Hungary were recognized and representatives exchanged.

He is strongly opposed to a Masonic home for Louisiana. An attempt was made to raise a fund for the establishment of a home for widows and orphans; and the Grand Master says that "up to the last week in December the sum of about \$500 only had been turned over to the Grand Secretary as the contribution obtained by solicitation from the constituent lodges in aid of this project." He thinks Masonic homes are "magnificent monuments of marble and stone" which "hide behind their walls the sepulchral coldness of organized charity." He thinks that next year \$6,000 will be available for relief, and that it will be more useful when distributed among the needy than it could possibly be if expended on inmates of a home.

He favored recognition of the York Grand Lodge of Mexico; but Grand Lodge resolved that the claim of the York Grand Lodge to jurisdiction beyond the federal district could not be recognized, and that an exchange of representatives could not be sanctioned until such claim was abandoned.

R. W. Bro. Herman C. Duncan, the Grand Chaplain, is chairman of the committee on Foreign Correspondence; and he writes the whole of the report except that on Grand Lodges whose proceedings are in foreign

tongues. He does not agree with this correspondent in thinking that no Masonic body ought to have a political object. He thinks Masons as such may properly endeavor to procure the government of their state on Masonic principles. In another place he says:

Every Masonic lodge should know that it cannot work in any way outside its own jurisdiction except at the request and as the guest of a lodge of the invaded jurisdiction; and that this applies to the Masonic burial of its own members as well as to any other kind of Masonic work.

Grand Lodge of Maine was opened at Portland May 2, 1911. Elmer P. Spofford, Deputy Grand Master, pre-

Lodges in Louisiana 216; members 14,547, a gain of 745.

E. H. Addington, New Orleans, Grand Master.

Richard Lambert, New Orleans, Grand Secretary.

MAINE.

The ninety-second Annual Communication of the siding. Lodges represented 185; unrepresented 18. Seven Past Grand Masters were present; also R. W. Bro. Benjamin L. Hadley, Representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

The Grand Master, the Rev. Ashley A. Smith, reported a very encouraging state of things among the craft throughout the jurisdiction. He said:

It is a pleasure to report that the past year has brought continued peace and prosperity to the fraternity. The numerical increase in membership has been normal and steady, and the figures tabulated by our untiring Grand Secretary show that the present membership is 28,781, an increase of 453 over our report of last year. The Committee on Returns will later submit a more detailed report.

One of the events of the year was the laying of a corner stone of the Masonic temple at Portland. The ceremonies were of an impressive character.

Two lodges were consecrated; one hall was dedicated; and the Grand Master presided at many installations of lodge officers, "believing that the time of the Grand Master, in so far as it does not encroach upon his necessary vocation, belongs, in part at least, to his brethren."

In concluding his address Bro. Smith said:

Our fraternity throughout this jurisdiction, and throughout the world, is yearly growing in that beneficent power which it was meant to possess and wield amidst the life of human kind. Ours must still be intelligent consecration, wise diligence and sweet-spirited zeal in doing good to our fellow-men and in fulfilling those precepts and principles of our beloved institution, which are the promise and potency of our progression and permanency as one of the agencies and institutions of the ages, to bring light into the world—to affirmatively and nobly answer that ancient criminal cry of Cain, “Am I my brother’s keeper?” and to make real some echo of that divine harmony heard of old by shepherds at night as they kept their flocks beneath star-lit Syrian skies: “Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good-will toward men.”

Grand Lodge acknowledged the great good that is done the craft by the Masonic Relief association of the United States and Canada, and thought that “each lodge should keep in touch with its objects and labors,” but did not send a representative to attend its meetings.

The investments of the Charity Fund amount to \$60,000; the income for the year was \$2,548.65; and \$1,162 was paid in relief. Relief is given to brethren only when the funds of the subordinate lodges are inadequate to the exigency of the cases.

M. W. Bro. Albro E. Chase conducts the Foreign Correspondence with his accustomed ability and discretion. Bro. Chase does not approve of assessments upon individual brethren for the benevolent work of Grand Lodge. He says an assessment is “a most delightful and pleasing way to raise money for charitable purposes—Masonic, too, is it? Be charitable any way, whether you can afford it or not, and if you cannot pay, then get out. To be sure the time may come when you will be poor and needy, then you will receive a return.” Don’t be sarcastic, Bro. Chase. Most of the Masonic benevolence distributed to the needy is raised by assessment, direct or indirect. And there is fear that if only voluntary contributions were to be relied on some of the aged and destitute would have short commons.

Lodges in Maine 203; members 28,781, an increase of 453.

Rev. Ashley A. Smith, Bangor, Grand Master.

Stephen Berry, Portland, Grand Secretary.

MANITOBA.

The thirty-sixth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba was opened at Winnipeg June 14, 1911. George W. Baker Grand Master. Lodges represented 66; unrepresented 5. Nine Past Grand Masters were present, including M. W. Bro. Rev. S. P. Matheson, Representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

In the opening of his address the Grand Master said:

We have now entered our thirty-sixth year, nearing the half-century mark, and the thought uppermost in our mind is, have we been faithful to the trust handed down to us by our Masonic Ancestry—have we really appreciated the responsibilities which, through our obligations, have been placed upon us, for we must know that upon each subordinate lodge rests the choice of material, which will make or mar the Craft throughout the civilized world.

He had in person laid the corner-stone of a Collegiate institute at Virden, in September, 1910.

He had issued a circular calling attention to the celebration throughout the Christian world of the tercentenary of the King James Bible. He thought Masons, as such, should join in this celebration. He said: "The language of our ritual is the language of the Bible, with its simplicity, its dignity, its power, its happy terms of expression, its general accuracy, and not least the music of its cadences and the felicities of its rhythm."

He called attention to the unwisdom of undue and ostentatious display of Masonic emblems, which, he said, was contrary to the spirit of Masonry. He added:

It needs but a little consideration to see that a mere metallic ornament can hardly be sufficient to announce to the world that we belong to a society which is based on a morality. Something more is necessarily required of us. What, then, should be our emblem? Should it not be character and deportment and becoming dignity, fitting to those principles which are our bulwark and pride? On the other hand, a modest display of our emblem may have, and should have, an influence upon our lives, for it should ever remind us of our obligations and make us display in our every walk of life that we are of a brotherhood whose tenets and teachings are founded on truth and rectitude of conduct. I have observed that the larger the emblem the less the wearer recollects what it represents.

During the year warrants had been issued to five lodges under dispensation. and dispensations had been issued for the formation of three new lodges.

A touching incident of the communication was the presence of R. W. Bro. John Osborne, who was Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Canada in 1856. In 1856 it was not easy to find a man qualified for the work of the Grand Secretary's office who could afford to neglect his business interests to accept the office, and after one year of service Bro. Osborne was compelled to retire from the position. Shortly after his visit to the Grand Lodge of Manitoba he was called hence.

There is no report on Foreign Correspondence.

Lodges 72, including one under dispensation; members 5,619, a gain of 468.

John Wemyss, Neepawa, Grand Master.

James A. Ovas, Winnipeg, Grand Secretary.

MARYLAND.

The one hundred and twenty-fifth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Maryland was opened at Baltimore November 19, 1911. Thomas J. Shryoek Grand Master. Maryland preserves an ancient custom of having the Grand Lodge opened by a subordinate officer, and the Grand Marshal proceeds to the apartment of the Grand Master, when that official enters and is received with grand honors.

During the year several communications had been held: On January 4 to attend the funeral of the late Grand Secretary, R.W. Bro. William M. Isaac; on January 16 to attend the funeral of Bro. Latrobe, Mayor of Baltimore; in semi-annual session May 9, to transact business; on June 6 to lay the corner-stone of a Masonic temple at Cumberland; and November 8 to attend the funeral of James Rawlings Brewer, Deputy Grand Master.

At the Annual Communication 114 lodges were represented. M.W. Bro. John M. Carter read a carefully-prepared paper entitled "Maryland Masons in the Revolution." It has much local interest, but is not of value outside of Maryland.

The Foreign Correspondence is in the competent and skilled hands of R.W. Bro. Edward T. Schultz, who tells his readers that his report is the twenty-fifth he has submitted to Grand Lodge, while he has written

thirty-five for the Grand Chapter; and he thinks these sixty reports are "perhaps a larger number than ever written by any other correspondent." In this, however, he is mistaken; our M.W. Bro. Henry Robertson has him "beaten to a frazzle," for at the time of his retirement from the corps of "mutuals," Bro. Robertson had written sixty-four reports. Bro. Schultz continues his argument that a Grand Master has the right to "make a Mason at sight," and sums up as follows:

Have we not proved our case? Have we not shown that for at least a period of one hundred and eighty years Grand Masters have exercised the privilege of congregating six or more brethren into a special, or occasional, lodge, and then and therein conferred the degrees of Entered Apprentice, Fellow Craft and Master Mason in duly tyled lodges, and opened on those degrees at their will and pleasure, which procedure has come to be termed "making a Mason at sight"? Furthermore and finally, as we have stated in another part of this report, not more than six or eight of the Grand Lodges of the world have authoritatively declared that such rights and powers are not inherent in the office of Grand Master. What more can any one demand to constitute a landmark of Freemasonry?

It is really not a matter of great importance whether a Grand Master has or has not the inherent right to make a Mason without observing the provisions of the constitution he has promised to support. But in view of the circumstances attending the initiation, passing and raising of Bro. William H. Taft, we may be permitted to ask two questions:

1. Would Mr. Taft have been made a Mason at sight if he had not held a high official position?

2. Is it true that President Taft has forbidden Masonic emblems to be placed upon tombstones or monuments in United States national cemeteries?

Lodges 114; members 14,168, an increase of 311.

Thomas J. Shryock, Baltimore, Grand Master.

George Cook, Baltimore, Grand Secretary.

MASSACHUSETTS.

During the year 1911 the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts held four quarterly, one annual and several special communications, the latter for dedicating lodge rooms or laying corner-stones.

At the quarterly communication held in March some amendments to the constitution were discussed. These are of no interest outside of Massachusetts. A report

of the Board of Masonic Relief is of great interest, for it tells of the purchase of a property for a Masonic Home, and of the means provided for its maintenance. The property consists of nearly four hundred acres of land. On this there were some buildings, which have been added to and furnished. The sums paid and pledged toward the purchase and the endowment fund amount to \$184,000. of which the greater amount has been paid to the trustees. The trustees say that when the home was dedicated the craft in Massachusetts were "the owners of an estate fully paid for, its maintenance provided for, ready in every respect to be of use for its destined purpose." The impressive dedication ceremonies were conducted by the Grand Master on the 25th of May, 1911. The statement of money received is misleading, for the New England Craftsman says that the buildings alone have cost \$325,000. It is certain that our Massachusetts brethren have established a noble charity: it is equally certain that it will be nobly maintained.

At the quarterly communication, held December 13, 1911, the Grand Master read his annual address. It was his sad duty to announce the death of Samuel C. Lawrence, a Past Grand Master of the jurisdiction, and one who had been a power in Masonry for many years. Bro. Lawrence fought through the great civil war, and attained the rank of brigadier-general. He was Grand Master of Masons in Massachusetts in 1881-2-3, and at the time of his death he was Sovereign Grand Commander of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite for the Northern Jurisdiction. He had been a Master Mason fifty-seven years.

The "York Grand Lodge of Mexico" was recognized.

The total amount of the charity fund was reported at \$528,728, an increase for the year of \$29,000.

Charles T. Gallagher, Past Grand Master, paid an eloquent tribute to the memory of M. W. Bro. Lawrence, and R. W. Bro. William B. Lawrence, a son of the late Grand Master, presented, on behalf of his mother, a marble bust of his father.

The officers were installed and invested at the stated communication held on the 27th of December, and the "Grand Feast" followed. At that feast some excellent speeches were delivered, one of them by W.

Bro. Ralston Balch, of London, England; and, as our English brethren tell us very little of what they do in their official reports, we shall print in the review of English Masonry some extracts from Bro. Balch's address before the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts.

M. W. Bro. Ranger, of Vermont, told why a lodge in his State had been unable to "do much" for charity in a certain year. He said:

When I was Grand Master, I asked the Master of a small lodge of less than one hundred members something about the condition of his lodge. When I was enquiring about the well-being of the lodge and the various matters of administrative affairs, increase in membership, etc., I asked him, "Well, tell me about charity. What have you done in the way of charity during the year?" His face fell, and he said, "Well, to tell the honest truth, we haven't done much in charity this year. I will tell you how it was. Along the first of the year one of our members, who was a workman, fell and had a severe injury to his leg, and it didn't heal properly, and he had to be sent to Burlington, to the hospital. Well, we helped pay that expense; and then he came back home and didn't recover, and the doctors said that he must be sent to New York for a second operation; and he had spent all of his money, and we had to send him and pay for that, and so we couldn't do very much for charity this year." I said, "How much did you pay for that purpose?" The Master of the lodge answered, "Well, a little more than \$400." And that was the reason that they hadn't done much for charity!

Lodges 241: members 60,844, an increase of 2,165.

Everett C. Benton, Boston, Grand Master.

Thomas W. Davis, Boston, Grand Secretary.

MICHIGAN.

The sixty-seventh Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Michigan was opened at Port Huron May 23, 1911. G. Roscoe Swift Grand Master. Lodges represented 409, including 5 under dispensation; unrepresented 10. Fourteen Past Grand Masters were present.

W. Bro. John J. Bell, Mayor of Port Huron, welcomed Grand Lodge in an eloquent address.

M. W. Bro. William T. Mitchell, who was Grand Master in 1865, also addressed Grand Lodge.

The Grand Master suitably responded to both addresses.

He lamented the death of William B. Wilson, who was Grand Master in 1888.

-Two lodges were consecrated during the year, and several lodge rooms were dedicated. Three corner-stones were laid with Masonic ceremonies.

The correspondence with the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario was laid before Grand Lodge without comment. As the incident is now closed, further reference to it in this place is not necessary.

The Grand Master laid before Grand Lodge voluminous correspondence relating to the Washington Memorial Association, and strongly recommended support of the movement to establish a memorial to Washington the Mason.

An offer of a property for a Masonic home had been made by Ammi W. Wright, of Alma, and the offer had been declined by Grand Lodge. The offer being renewed, for a sum of \$60,000, the Grand Master accepted it. Grand Lodge approved of the action. The trustees of the old home were directed to sell that property and to place the proceeds thereof in the treasury of Grand Lodge.

Grand Lodge decided to become a member of the Masonic Relief Association of the United States and Canada.

M. W. Bro. Lou B. Winsor, Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, recommended recognition of the York Grand Lodge of Mexico, and the recommendation was approved.

Bro. Winsor presents an excellent and comprehensive review of the Proceedings of sixty-four Grand Lodges, which fills more than 300 pages. He makes no personal comment, but his summary of the doings of the various bodies is above praise.

Lodges in Michigan 409; members 65,708, an increase of 2,686.

James E. Dillon, East Tawas, Grand Master.

Lou B. Winsor, Reed City, Grand Secretary.

MINNESOTA.

The fifty-ninth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota was opened at St. Paul January 17, 1912. Elmer A. Kling Grand Master. Lodges represented 224; unrepresented 9. Twelve Past Grand Masters were present. The name of the Representative

of the Grand Lodge of Canada is not named among those who were presented to the Grand Master.

No officer of Grand Lodge had died during the year.

Grand Master Kling had laid three corner-stones, dedicated one hall, and had visited many lodges since the last annual communication.

His decisions are mostly of local interest only. One of them is so unusual that it may be reproduced here. It is that "in balloting on a petition each individual member must cast his own ballot. He cannot authorize another member to vote for him or direct him to cast a black ball." Which is eminently a correct decision; but the wonder is that it should be necessary.

Three dispensations had been issued for the formation of new lodges.

He recommended that the incoming Grand Master and a brother to be appointed by him represent the Grand Lodge of Minnesota in the Washington Memorial Association.

He approves of some general observance of the bi-centenary of the formation of the Grand Lodge of England.

He calls attention to the fact that, while Entered Apprentices and Fellowcrafts must be instructed before they can be advanced, no provision is made for the proper instruction of Master Masons, and suggests that such instruction ought to be provided for.

He recommends that all receipts for dues be furnished to private lodges by the Grand Secretary, such receipts bearing a certificate that the lodge is a duly constituted and legally-chartered lodge under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota. The recommendation was adopted by Grand Lodge.

Bro. Irving Todd conducts the Foreign Correspondence with his accustomed ability, and gives a valuable epitome of the proceedings of seventy-four Grand Lodges.

Lodges in Minnesota 253; members 26,543, an increase of 763.

Owen Morris, St. Paul, Grand Master.

John Fishel, St. Paul, Grand Secretary.

MISSISSIPPI.

The ninety-third Annual Grand Communication of the Grand Lodge of Mississippi was opened at Gulfport February 21, 1911. Walter M. Conner Grand Master. About 600 representatives of lodges and Past Masters were present. Thirteen Past Grand Masters were in the East, including M.W. Bro. Harry T. Howard, the representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

Before the formal opening a public reception was held, attended by brethren, citizens of Gulfport and ladies.

The Grand Master congratulated the brethren on the fact that the craft in the jurisdiction had prospered during the year, and that no death had occurred in the "official family."

He had granted a number of dispensations to confer degrees on candidates without waiting for the statutory time to elapse. On the other hand, he had refused many requests to grant the favor. One of these is a sample, and shows that Bro. Conner declined to consider the lodge a mere stepping-stone to other bodies. Lodge 423 asked for a dispensation to ballot out of time and confer Master Mason degree on Bro. J. E. Thomas, a Fellowcraft, who "wanted to hurry through in order to join the Royal Arch Chapter." Bro. Thomas was compelled to wait. At another time a dispensation was refused to a lodge to "ballot out of time and confer all three degrees on the same day on the same candidate."

Dispensations were granted for the formation of two new lodges, and ten lodges under dispensation were constituted and consecrated.

A lodge asked if it might ballot on the application of a man who had served a term in the state penitentiary, but who had for a number of years borne a good character. The Grand Master very properly decided that the man was not good material. He said: "None should be made a Mason except those under the tongue of good report and well recommended."

He had instructed the Grand Secretary to issue a circular warning brethren to have nothing to do with a clandestine body calling itself the "Council or Consistory of Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of America."

The craft in Mississippi maintain an Orphans' Home,

and it is a good one; but there are many calls on Grand Lodge funds in behalf of aged and infirm brethren. As to these the Grand Master says:

It would be well for the Grand Lodge to take some definite action regarding those who are entitled to assistance from the Grand Lodge Maintenance Fund. It ought to be definitely understood by the lodges that it is not the intention of the Grand Lodge to relieve the ordinary and usual distress of the members of the lodges, and it is only indigent, aged brethren who are to be relieved from the Masonic Home Funds, by supplementing the donations of lodges.

Schools of instruction have done good work throughout the jurisdiction. The Grand Master says:

When we first began the enlarged system now in vogue, it was somewhat of an experiment, but it has to-day passed beyond the experimental stage, and we are now confident that we have at last struck the keynote of imparting a knowledge of the ritual to those who are not familiar with it. Due to the faithfulness of our Grand Lecturer and his able corps of District Deputies, there are to-day in the State hundreds of Masons who can give the work and lectures almost verbatim. When this system was first inaugurated there were not possibly more than a half of a dozen in the entire State who could do this.

Bro. Conner refused to preside or be present at lodge trials, "thinking that the Grand Master ought not to interfere in the internal affairs of a lodge except when the executive function of his office requires it."

The Foreign Correspondence is ably handled by M.W. Bro. Harry T. Howard, who is judicious in his remarks, when he has any to make, but who believes in being a reporter and not a censor.

Lodges 352; members 18,147, a net gain of 1,025.

John S. Brooks, Lula, Grand Master.

Frederic Gordon Speed, Vicksburg, Grand Secretary.

Bro. Frederic Speed, who had been Grand Secretary for about forty years, and who was unable to attend the Annual Communication by reason of illness, was subsequently called to his rest. He held a high reputation for ability and usefulness, not only in his own State, but throughout the Masonic world. His loss is generally and deeply deplored.

1912.

The ninety-fourth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Mississippi was opened at Hattiesburg February 20, 1912. John S. Brooks Grand Master. Lodges represented 323; unrepresented 25. Fourteen Past Grand Masters were present; also M. W. Bro. Harry T. Howard, Representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

The Grand Master said that peace and harmony prevailed throughout the jurisdiction, and that the great moral lessons taught by Masonry seemed to be shaping the lives and conduct of the brethren.

He deplored the loss by death of four Past Grand Masters—Frederic Speed, M. M. Evans, Enoch George DeLap, and John S. Cobb.

Bro. Frederic Gordon Speed was appointed to fill the unexpired term as Grand Secretary of his father; and at the meeting of Grand Lodge he was elected to that office. May he fill it as worthily as did his lamented father.

Bro. Brooks recommended that a private seal be provided for the Grand Master, which might be handed down from one Grand Master to another. We fail to see the need of it. The seal of Grand Lodge ought to suffice for all official documents. He recommended severance of fraternal relations with the Grand Lodge of Scotland until that Grand Lodge should repudiate the action of Dundee Lodge in "initiating the negro prize fighter, Jack Johnson, who was not at the time of his so-called initiation even a citizen of Scotland."

He recommended that Grand Lodge take official notice of the action of the War Department in forbidding the use of Masonic emblems in the National cemetery at Arlington. The committee to whom this part of the address was referred reported in favor of having a thorough investigation made as to the cause of the order of the Secretary of War in forbidding the use of the square and compasses in national cemeteries while permitting the use of other emblems.

The Masonic Home meets with praise in all quarters. At the end of the year there were 75 children in the home. The property is valued at \$67,000; the endowment fund amounts to \$102,000; and the average cost of maintaining one child for one year is \$147.

The committee on the State of the Craft appears to

be doing its work in a thorough and systematic manner worthy of all praise. It has sent out to all the lodges in the state a series of questions covering all forms of lodge practice and well-being. From the answers received an estimate is formed of the condition of the craft throughout the jurisdiction. Our Canadian system of District Deputy Grand Masters works along similar lines, but in Mississippi the enquiries cover a wider field.

M. W. Bro. Harry Howard continues the Foreign Correspondence. He tells us that when the candidate has been finally raised he finds that Masonry has promised him nothing--"that all the promising has been placed upon his shoulders." And Bro. Howard adds:

But afterwards in the long reaches of the silent night, when the sublime lesson of Hiram, the Widow's son, comes forward in the working brain, the man learns the tidings of great joy: That he who conquereth himself is greater than he who conquereth a city; that all mankind is a Brotherhood in God's great universe; that the tree of knowledge, the heritage of the rushing centuries, with its immortal food, grows within reach of every man's hand; and finally, that the everlasting arms of the Father have carried us here to be born upon this earth, and that these same hands receive us into "The Inner Chamber of Life," where we hope to meet our Pilot face to face.

Lodges 357; members 18,931, a gain of 784.

J. Rice Wilson, Houston, Grand Master.

Frederic Gordon Speed, Vicksburg, Grand Secretary.

MISSOURI.

The ninety-first Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Missouri was opened at St. Louis September 26, 1911. Clay C. Bigger Grand Master. Lodges represented 423. Nineteen Past Grand Masters were on the platform, and the total attendance was 1,034.

The Grand Master reported harmony and prosperity throughout the jurisdiction, and cordial relations with all other Grand Lodges. He was particularly gratified because of the excellent quality of the material received into the lodges, and the excellent spirit animating the brethren. He added:

The brethren are alert and keeping pace with the upward and onward movement of the people along all moral lines. They realize that the strength of our institution depends not so much upon numbers as upon the personal character of the men

constituting its membership. They are striving to make their lodge a power and influence for good in the community in which it is located. So long as this course is pursued the result will be inevitable. Our new membership will be drawn from among the best citizens of the community, thereby giving strength, dignity and moral influence to the lodge. This should be gratifying to every member of the fraternity, as it promises a prosperous and glorious future. As an evidence of the growth and general prosperity of the Order, I need only add that our net increase for the year is 2,132, making our total membership 53,218.

During the year the "York Grand Lodge of Mexico" had been recognized, and the credentials of the Grand Representative renewed.

Four lodges under dispensation had been constituted and consecrated, and dispensations had been granted for the formation of eight new lodges.

A number of decisions were given:

1. A brother who had been accused of a Masonic offence, but against whom formal charges had not been preferred, might demit from his lodge, but it was the duty of the lodge to pursue the matter, and to try the brother if found guilty.

2. A brother who had just received his third degree, and who had not been fully instructed, was not entitled to vote on the application of a Fellowcraft to be raised.

3. An unaffiliated Mason, who had petitioned a lodge for affiliation, and had been rejected, might apply to another lodge, at any place.

4. A lodge expecting a very large number of visitors was not permitted to meet in an opera house. It "could not legally meet and work in a building that had not been dedicated and consecrated to Masonic purposes."

5. A brother who, when the ballot box was passed, picked out a black ball and held it up so that all in the room could see it, and who afterwards boasted that he had come all the way from Chicago to vote against the candidate, was guilty of a Masonic offence.

The portrait of the Grand Tyler was ordered to be published in the Proceedings of Grand Lodge. Bro. John W. Owen was born in 1824, was initiated in 1855, and has been Grand Tyler since 1881.

The Masons of Missouri are very proud of their Home, and they have reason to be proud. They have a

magnificent property, and are giving in it shelter and support to 154 men, women and children. The property and the endowment together aggregate in value more than \$300,000. And they are willing to pay for it, too. In response to an appeal issued in 1910 no less than \$78,500 had been received toward the building at the time the report was issued, of which \$51,600 came from the lodges. The annual charge for maintenance appears to be about \$36,000, or about \$240 for each inmate.

M.W. Bro. C. C. Woods is chairman of the committee on Foreign Correspondence, and he reviews the proceedings of sixty-two Grand Lodges with ability and discretion. He contents himself, for the most part, with telling his readers what Grand Lodges have done, not in explaining what they ought to have done.

Lodges 619; members 53,218, a gain of 2,132.

Arch A. Johnson, Springfield, Grand Master.

John R. Parson, St. Louis, Grand Secretary.

MONTANA.

The forty-seventh Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Montana was opened at Missoula September 20, 1911. J. W. Speer, Grand Master. Nine Past Grand Masters were present.

The Grand Master was rejoiced to be able to say that peace had been uninterrupted throughout the year, and that prosperity had blessed the craft generally. There was, he said, no work cut out for the committee on Grievances and Appeals, "a situation almost unprecedented in the history of this Grand Lodge."

He spoke feelingly of the death of two Past Grand Masters: Hiram Knowles, Grand Master in 1879, and Julian M. Knight, Grand Master in 1876.

A brother who had resigned from an English lodge wished to affiliate with a lodge in Montana; but English lodges give no formal dimit, and Montana lodges are forbidden to accept affiliates without a dimit. The Grand Master ruled that no special form of dimit was necessary; but that if the brother would produce a letter from the English lodge and his Grand Lodge certificate he might be accepted.

A lodge held a meeting and transacted business, at which the constitutional number of seven Master

Masons were present, but not seven who were members of that lodge. Ruled that the meeting was irregular. "To hold a regular or special communication there must be the required number of Masons who are members of the particular lodge holding the meeting before the same would be regular."

He recommended that candidates living in Montana, but nearer a lodge in another grand jurisdiction than to a lodge in Montana, might be accepted by the foreign lodge, provided the other grand jurisdiction would reciprocate. This was approved by Grand Lodge.

Seven lodges under dispensation were constituted and consecrated, and dispensations were granted for the formation of six new lodges.

He recommended greater care in the examination of visitors. He said: "I believe it wise to see to it that a brother has a receipt under the seal of his lodge showing that he is in good standing;" further that the examining committee should be sure that the lodge he hails from is a regularly constituted lodge.

The Masonic Home is given high praise. It had at the close of the year twelve inmates. There is a farm of 500 acres, and the building and equipment cost \$70,000. The whole property is valued at \$140,000. The expenditures on capital account are so mixed with cost of maintenance that it is not possible to determine what is the cost of supporting the inmates of the home.

The Foreign Correspondence is handled in a satisfactory manner by M.W. Bro. H. S. Hepner, who reviews the proceedings of sixty-seven Grand Lodges, not including Canada. He tells his readers, however, that when a Michigan lodge invaded Canadian territory in regalia to perform a Masonic ceremony "no harm was intended or done," and that the action of Grand Master Macwatt was "really unwarranted in view of all the explanations." The unpleasant incident having closed after the apology of the Grand Lodge of Michigan, it would be better not to discuss it further; but it is not pleasant to be told that a Grand Body in the United States may invade the jurisdiction of a Canadian Grand Lodge without doing or intending wrong.

Lodges 84, including six under dispensation: members 6,465, a gain of 508.

Wm. M. Montgomery, Anaconda, Grand Master.
Cornelius Hedges, Jr., Helena, Grand Secretary.

NEBRASKA.

The fifty-fourth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Nebraska was opened at Omaha June 6, 1911. Harry A. Cheney Grand Master. Lodges represented 229; unrepresented 21.

The Grand Master reported the death during the year of two Past Grand Masters—Charles K. Coutant, who was Grand Master in 1886, and Melville R. Hope-well, Grand Master in 1905. A special communication of Grand Lodge was held to attend the funeral of the latter, and the Masonic ceremonies were conducted by Past Grand Master French.

Bro. Cheney reported progress and prosperity throughout the jurisdiction and harmony in the relations of Nebraska with other Grand Lodges.

He visited the Masonic Home, unannounced and unexpected, and was delighted with what he saw there. He says: "I found the inmates well cared for, happy and contented. Many were the expressions of gratitude for the care and consideration received from the fraternity, in which every member in the Grand jurisdiction has a share, and may justly feel proud."

He had laid the corner-stone of the State Normal School; had constituted and consecrated six lodges, and had issued dispensations for the formation of three new lodges.

He refused permission to a lodge to have a wicket in the door of the lodge for the purpose of announcing brethren seeking admission.

He recommended the abolition of the office of Grand Treasurer, thinking that thereby "the Grand Lodge would receive interest on its bank balances, besides doing away with the expense of a Grand Treasurer's surety bond, and, further, it would require the signatures of two in place of one to draw the funds, which would be kept in the name of the Grand Lodge only." In this jurisdiction we have a Grand Treasurer; the Grand Secretary deposits all moneys in bank: they draw interest, and they can be drawn out only on checks bearing three signatures. We would not be without our Grand Treasurer for a great deal.

A committee reported in favor of joining in the erection of a monument to George Washington, the Mason. and Grand Lodge approved the recommendation.

M. W. Bro. Charles J. Phelps conducts the Foreign Correspondence with marked ability and discretion. His report is almost exclusively a summary of the proceedings of the various Grand Lodges, but it is pleasant to note that Bro. Phelps believes in uniformity of work. There should be no innovations in the ritual any more than in the body of Masonry. for the ritual is an essential part of the body of Masonry.

There are 250 lodges in Nebraska, with 18,507 members, a gain of 621.

Henry Gibbons, Kearney, Grand Master.

Francis E. White, Omaha, Grand Secretary.

NEVADA.

The forty-seventh Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Nevada was opened at Reno June 13, 1911. James C. Doughty Grand Master. Lodges represented 24; unrepresented 1. Nine Past Grand Masters were present, including M. W. Bro. Frank Bell, representing the Grand Lodge of Canada.

During the year there had been two special communications of Grand Lodge, the first to lay the cornerstone of the Elko County Court House, and the other for the purpose of attending the funeral of R. W. Bro. Chauncey Norman Noteware, for many years Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Nevada.

In his annual address the Grand Master said:

The year has been one of prosperity to the Craft, no dissensions having arisen, and harmony reigns supreme. Our increase in membership notes a steady progress, and it adds to its glory that the increase is quite as noteworthy for the quality of material as for its quantity. The future of Masonry demands that it should be so, and no greater pleasure falls to a Grand Master's lot than to record a growth marked by quality and an ever-increasing care in the selection of candidates by the lodges.

He recommended that, when the Representative of another Grand Lodge near the Grand Lodge of Nevada has not attended the sessions of that Grand Lodge for a period of three years or more, his name be dropped.

The Grand Secretary reported that the work of installing a card index system was under headway, and he hoped that it would be completed during the Masonic year.

A member of a Nevada lodge asserted that he had been blackballing all candidates, and intended to continue doing so unless the lodge would comply with his wishes in some matter not stated. The Grand Master decided that the making of the threat constituted a Masonic offence, for which the brother ought to be tried, and punished if found guilty.

A proposal was made that all lodges exempt from payment of dues members who have reached the age of sixty-five years. Grand Lodge did not approve, because lodges now have power to exempt such brethren if they wish, and to make it obligatory upon all lodges would probably work hardship in some cases.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is by the Grand Secretary, V. W. Bro. E. D. Vanderlieth, and a good report it is. Bro. Vanderlieth has slightly misconceived the Canadian practice as to expulsions from the craft. When a Mason is tried here for any offence he is tried by his lodge. If the punishment is anything short of expulsion it is inflicted by the lodge, the brother having right of appeal to Grand Lodge. If he is considered worthy of the highest penalty, the lodge recommends him for expulsion, and sends all the papers in the case to the Grand Master. If the proceedings are found to be regular, and the offence seems to merit the penalty, Grand Lodge pronounces the sentence. The lodge may suspend him from the privileges of his lodge, even indefinitely, but only Grand Lodge can declare that he ceases to be a Mason.

Lodges in Nevada 25; members 1,771, an increase of 90.

Herman Davis, Reno, Grand Master.

Edward D. Vanderlieth, Carson City, Grand Secretary.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

The forty-fourth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of New Brunswick was held at St. John August 22, 1911. Henry Seabury Bridges Grand Master. Twenty-one lodges were represented. Four Past

Grand Masters were present, including M. W. Bro. John V. Ellis. Representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada. The Grand Master said:

It is my privilege and pleasure to report that peace and harmony have prevailed throughout every part of this jurisdiction, and also that there has been unusual activity in the subordinate lodges throughout the Province during the past year. The reports of these lodges will show a substantial increase in our membership. But, my brethren, it is well to remember that it is not the number of those who wear the lamb skin that has given to our fraternity the proud position that it has always held in the world's estimation, but rather the internal qualifications and exemplary conduct of each individual Mason. No anxiety therefore to increase the membership of our lodge should ever lead us to permit those to join our ranks who do not maintain that high moral standing which should always characterize good Masons. If we wish to preserve the high standing of our noble fraternity, we must never lose sight of that well-known maxim, "Guard well the outer door."

Among the brethren whose death was recorded was W. Bro. Andrew Skillen, who was initiated in True Blue Lodge, Killyleagh, Ireland, in 1842, and was an active member of the craft for more than sixty-nine years.

On the 25th of June an especial communication of Grand Lodge had been held for the purpose of attending Divine service. The service was conducted and the sermon preached by the Grand Chaplain, the Rev. Gordon Dickie.

A warrant of constitution was ordered to be issued to a lodge at Moncton, to be called Tweedie Lodge.

There is no report on Foreign Correspondence.

Lodges 38: members 3,061, a gain of 143.

Henry S. Bridges, Ph.D., St. John, Grand Master.

J. Twining Hartt, St. John, Grand Secretary.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

The one hundred and twenty-second Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of New Hampshire was opened at Concord May 17, 1911. Edwin P. Jones Grand Master. Lodges represented 57; unrepresented 23. Nine Past Grand Masters were present, including M. W. Bro. Ira A. Chase, Representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

An emergent communication had been held July 27.

1910, for the purpose of laying the corner-stone of the Masonic building at Rochester, and a semi-annual communication was held at Manchester, when the several degrees were exemplified for the instruction of the assembled brethren.

The address of the Grand Master at the Annual Communication was mainly a business document. He said: "The year, Masonically, has been one of plenty, health and peace."

Bro. Chase deplored the death of several distinguished brethren, among them M. W. Bro. John McLane, who was Grand Master in 1898-99.

He said that Masters of lodges might properly permit wardens to assist in the work of the several degrees, provided they themselves had proved their knowledge by doing the work, but it was all wrong if the Master had not made himself acquainted with the work. He said: "It is the duty of every Master to know all the work of the degrees, and the honor of presiding over his lodge ought to be sufficient inducement to him to discharge this duty."

He recommended participation in the project to erect a memorial to George Washington the Mason.

The erection of the Masonic home "goes on apace." Bro. Chase "looks upon the home as being the one great practical exemplification in New Hampshire of the principles of our order."

In his concluding remarks he said:

Let us hope that our beloved Order may advance to places of higher and wider influence than those to which it has ever yet attained. There is need for the teachings of Masonry in this land to-day. Its great moral precepts, the active benevolence which it prescribes, the upright character which it inculcates, make for high character and noble living.

Let us try to take with us into our daily lives a true appreciation of the duties we owe to our country, our neighbors, our families and ourselves.

Provision was made for holding lodges of instruction. The semi-annual communication at Manchester has heretofore served the purpose of a lodge of instruction. It has been very largely attended, and each year specially qualified lodges have been selected to work the several degrees for the instruction of officers throughout the State. It is now thought better to have additional lodges of instruction in the several districts.

M. W. Bro. Harry M. Cheney writes the report on Foreign Correspondence, and does it with more than ordinary ability. He is particularly pleased with the reports of the District Deputy Grand Masters in this jurisdiction, and says: "We know of no other jurisdiction which approaches Canada in this respect." He does not, however, like our system of nominating (which is practically equal to electing) these officers, saying: "Personally we much better like having this office filled by the direct appointment of the Grand Master, making each deputy in fact the Grand Master's representative, who can then directly hold the deputy responsible. Bro. Cheney says some frightfully nice things personal about the Canadian Foreign Correspondent, and nothing but innate, original, determined, invincible and incorrigible modesty restrains us from copying some of them. All we can say in reply is, "You're another."

Lodges in New Hampshire 80; members 10,339, an increase of 79.

Charles H. Wiggin, Concord, Grand Master.

Harry M. Cheney, Concord, Grand Secretary.

NEW JERSEY.

The one hundred and twenty-fourth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of New Jersey was opened at Trenton April 19, 1911. Allton H. Sherman Grand Master. Lodges represented, 180. Twelve Past Grand Masters were present, including M.W. Bro. George W. Fortmeyer, representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

The address of Grand Master Sherman spoke of prosperity and progress. It said:

The Masonic year just closing has been very prosperous and successful. We have made large additions to our numbers; all good men and true, we believe; men whom we are glad to be associated with and to call them our brethren. We have, in several notable instances, renovated, improved and enlarged our meeting places; we have largely increased our funds, we have helped to feed the hungry and to clothe the naked. All these material things we have done in large measure. We have strengthened our faith in spiritual matters; we have increased our belief in the immortality of the soul, and I humbly trust that we have refined and strengthened our character.

During the year two Past Grand Masters of New

Jersey had been called away—Charles Henry Mann, Grand Master in 1889 and 1890, and Henry Rutgers Cannon, Grand Master in 1868 and 1869.

Warrants were issued to four lodges, and one new lodge was constituted.

He recommended several minor changes in the constitutional law, all of which were approved: That Grand Lodge might meet in some place other than Trenton, to which it had been confined; that a member of a private lodge might commute his annual dues by paying a fixed sum; and that lodges might require treasurers and secretaries to give bonds.

The Masonic Home shelters 76 inmates, and appears to be an excellent institution. A per capita tax of thirty cents per member is imposed upon the lodges throughout the state, and certain fees for initiations are also paid, which maintain the institution.

R.W. Bro. Robert A. Shirrefs is chairman of the committee on Foreign Correspondence, and he is ably assisted by R.W. Bro. Adolph Klee, who handles the reports of German, Netherlands and Swiss Grand Lodges. Bro. Shirrefs says we have misrepresented him; that he does not believe bodies of the Eastern Star are founded on Masonry, and that he does believe they should be allowed to meet in Masonic lodge rooms. Very well; what other bodies that are not Masonic and that are not founded on Masonry are permitted to meet in New Jersey lodge rooms? And where would Bro. Shirrefs draw the line?

Bro. Shirrefs does not, apparently, feel like justifying the capture of the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico by the English-speaking members of that body. As to the submission of the new constitution "under conditions to be determined by the Grand Master," he says:

Consequently, at the annual, trouble must have been looked for, in fact invited, if the record we are reviewing is authentic; for some of the reasons offered for denying lodges a vote, and other points under discussion, possess the merit of extreme novelty, if nothing else.

It is well not to have recourse to sharp practice in Masonry, and it is gratifying to find at least one good man who is not afraid to say what he thinks.

R.W. Bro. Adolph Klee writes a very valuable review of the German Grand Lodges. From the address of M.W. Bro. Graf. Zu Dohna, of the 2 Grosse Landes-

loge. he quotes a statement of the underlying principles of German Masons as follows:

First. The religious foundation of morals is the belief in God, whom we revere in the ancient symbol of Supreme Architect of the Universe, free from all dogmatic clerical formulations.

Second. Strict non-interference of the lodges in all public struggles in the domains of state, society and church.

Our temples shall be what they have been, namely, places of peace and harmony for men in the different stations of life for mutual edification and recreation.

He gives the statistics of German lodges as follows:

The number of lodges and the membership were as follows:

Three Globes—In 1878, 114 lodges, 13,470 members; 1909, 143 lodges, 15,754 members; increase, 29 lodges, 2,284 members.

Germany—In 1878, 83 lodges, 9,463 members; 1909, 137 lodges, 14,113 members; increase, 54 lodges, 4,650 members.

Royal York—In 1878, 54 lodges, 5,743 members; 1909, 72 lodges, 7,331 members; increase, 18 lodges, 1,588 members.

Hamburg—In 1878, 32 lodges, 3,098 members; 1909, 52 lodges, 4,700 members; increase, 20 lodges, 1,602 members.

Saxony—In 1878, 18 lodges, 3,541 members; 1909, 26 lodges, 4,551 members; increase, 8 lodges, 1,040 members.

Frankfort—In 1878, 13 lodges, 2,085 members; 1909, 21 lodges, 3,289 members; increase, 8 lodges, 1,201 members.

Bayreuth—In 1878, 24 lodges, 1,793 members; 1909, 33 lodges, 3,167 members; increase, 9 lodges, 1,374 members.

Darmstadt—In 1878, 9 lodges, 1,010 members; 1909, 8 lodges, 711 members; decrease, 1 lodge, 299 members.

Independent Lodges—In 1878, 5 lodges, 1,408 members; 1909, 5 lodges, 1,413 members; increase, no lodge, 5 members.

Summary—In 1878, 352 lodges, 41,614 members; 1909, 497 lodges, 55,059 members; total increase in 31 years, 145 lodges, 13,445 members.

Lodges in New Jersey 191; members 33,094.

Leslie A. Burritt, Trenton, Grand Master.

Benjamin F. Wakefield, Trenton, Grand Secretary.

NEW MEXICO.

The thirty-fourth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of New Mexico was opened at Albuquerque October 16, 1911. Edward L. Medler Grand Master. Lodges represented 25; unrepresented 13.

The Grand Master paid feeling tributes to the memory of Past Grand Masters A. H. Harlee and Cornelius Bennett, who had died during the year.

He had issued a dispensation to a lodge to permit its room to be used by the Alianza Hispano Americana,

The Improved Order of Red Men, The Knights of Maccabees, The Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Order of the Eastern Star. Which seems to be mixing things a bit. He demanded evidence that the Alianza Hispano Americana was a moral and benevolent institution. Of the Order of the Eastern Star, he said that it was in no way connected or affiliated with Blue Lodge Masonry, and that "when it makes application to use a hall it is in the same category as the Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias and other fraternal organizations."

He ruled that a brother who has taken the Past Master's degree in one of the concordant orders does not thereby gain the right to be elected Worshipful Master in a craft lodge. In other words, craft Masonry knows no rank or honors but those which it confers.

One lodge under dispensation was constituted and consecrated, and dispensations were issued for the formation of four new lodges.

M. W. Bro. James H. Wroth conducts the Foreign Correspondence in an eminently satisfactory manner, and furnishes more than 200 pages of a well-written report.

Lodges 37; members 2,799, an increase of 208.

William B. Walter, Silver City, Grand Master.

Alpheus A. Keen, Albuquerque, Grand Secretary.

NEW SOUTH WALES.

The Grand Lodge of New South Wales holds quarterly, annual and special communications. At the special communication held in August, 1910, the Grand Master-elect, Lord Chelmsford, was installed by Sir Thomas Carmichael, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Victoria, after which the other officers were invested.

In his address the newly-installed Grand Master said that he was the fifth Governor of New South Wales who had occupied the Grand Master's chair. His predecessors had been Lord Carrington, Lord Jersey, Sir Robert Duff and Sir Harry Rawson. His remarks were for the most part of local interest, but one point he made cannot be too strongly impressed upon the minds of those who wish to adhere to the ancient landmarks. He said: "We are the inheritors of an ancient and glorious ritual, and we must take care that neither by

carelessness nor thoughtlessness do we depart from that which has been handed down to us."

At a meeting of the Board of General Purposes, held in November, information was received that a Master of a lodge had permitted the lodge room to "be used for social purposes by the wives of the lodge members." The Board ruled that, "the lodge room, having been consecrated, was used in an irregular manner."

Dispensations are frequently issued for the initiation of a lewis—that is, that the son of a Mason may be initiated before he attains the age of twenty-one years.

The report before us carries the work of Grand Lodge down to June, 1911. An excellent summary, presented by the Grand Secretary, supplies us with the following figures showing the work and the financial standing of the Grand Lodge:

Subscribing members number 16,036, an increase of 1,214 since our last Annual Report.	
Grand Lodge Fund.....increased by £2,305 to £ 9,510	
Benevolent Fund .....increased by 1,515 to 18,834	
Freemasons' Orphan Society....increased by 522 to 30,779	
Freemasons' Benevolent Instit'n increased by 1,299 to 13,321	
	£72,444

It will be seen that the invested funds amount to about \$360,000.

The committee on Foreign Correspondence consists of five distinguished brethren, each of whom takes part of the work, and each separate report is signed by the brother writing it. The work is succinctly but well done.

Lord Chelmsford, Sydney, Grand Master.

Arthur H. Bray, Sydney, Grand Secretary.

NEW YORK.

The one hundred and thirty-first Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of New York was opened at New York May 7, 1912. Robert Judson Kenworthy Grand Master. Number of lodges not stated, but nearly all in the state were represented. Five Past Grand Masters graced the Grand East. The representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada, M.W. Bro. J. Hungerford Smith, was present.

Grand Master Kenworthy reported peace and pro-

gress, with much cause for thankfulness, and little to lament. He said:

Whatever may have been accomplished is altogether due to the united, wholesome and progressive service which the various mighty forces in our Fraternity have rendered together. Well can I picture to myself the complete isolation of any man who, having attained to the great office of Grand Master, feels that in himself he is all-sufficient. Woe to him if he loses or relinquishes the "shoulder to shoulder" and "heart to heart" touch of his brethren! At best he cannot get of the Craft's good fellowship to the measure of his requirement.

Many special communications of Grand Lodge were held during the year, the most noteworthy of which was that called for the purpose of dedicating the Daniel D. Tompkins memorial chapel at the Masonic Home at Utica. The Grand Master officiated, and the ceremonies were of an impressive character. Daniel D. Tompkins was a man prominent in many ways a century ago. He was Governor of the State of New York, for ten years was a member of the Legislature, was active in the war of 1812, was a judge of the Supreme Court of the state, and was very active in Masonry—Grand Secretary for five years and Grand Master for two. He was Grand Commander of the Scottish Rite for the Northern Jurisdiction of the United States. It is eminently fitting that the monument of such a man should be a memorial chapel attached to one of the noblest Masonic charities in existence.

The Masonic Temple in New York, the property of the Grand Lodge, has been the subject of much controversy and a good deal of feeling. The old temple was a good property and was fairly remunerative. Then new land was bought and a very large building, seventeen stories high, was erected. The action of the trustees, in making so big a venture, was strongly criticised. Bro. Kenworthy thinks that, if all the hopes entertained of the new property have not been realized, and may never be realized, at least there is ground for thinking that in the near future the new temple will be profitable. The trustees report that, taking actual cash values, the craft in New York has, in the temple building in New York city and the home at Utica, properties worth \$2,360,000 over and above all indebtedness. Part of the temple building is still under construction and part of the completed building is still unlet. The trus-

tees say that when the new buildings are completed the two properties will represent a cost of \$4,730,000.

The home at Utica had, at the end of March last, 434 inmates, of whom 197 were men, 116 women, 54 boys and 67 girls. The property as it stands cost \$625,000, and the charge for maintenance last year was \$122,000, or \$281 for each inmate.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is presented by a committee, of which M.W. Bro. Townsend Scudder is chairman, and R.W. Bros. Emil Frenkel and Emanuel Loewenstein the other members. Bro. Frenkel deals with those Proceedings which are not in the English tongue. The New York report is one of the most valuable that is published, especially with respect to that part which deals with irregular or quasi Grand Lodges. One trifling mistake is made by placing Victoria in the Dominion of Canada. Doubtless most Canadians would be glad to have so fine a province as Victoria "in our midst," but possibly our brethren of Australia might object to the change.

The volume of the New York Proceedings is one of the best, typographically, which reaches us. It is embellished with a number of steel engravings, among them portraits of the Rev. William Walter, D.D., who was the "first Grand Master of Masons, Atholl Warrant, Grand Lodge of New York, 1781-2-3"; and of James Herring, who was Grand Secretary from 1828 to 1846, and founder of the hall and asylum fund. The portrait of Col. Ehlers is added just to show how much better looking Grand Secretaries are now than in former years.

Number of lodges in New York 808; members 172,713, a gain of 4,997.

Charles Smith, Oneonta, Grand Master.

E. M. L. Ehlers, New York, Grand Secretary.

NEW ZEALAND.

The twenty-second Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of New Zealand was opened at Christchurch, May 10, 1911. C. J. W. Griffiths, Grand Master. Representatives of 179 lodges were in attendance.

In a short address delivered after his installation the Grand Master said:

This being the twenty-first Annual Communication of Grand Lodge, we may look back over the years that have passed, and note with pride and satisfaction what the Grand Lodge has accomplished. Twenty years ago the total number of lodges in the Dominion was 147, of which 85 were under the E. C., 15 under the I. C., and 47 under the S. C. Now we have 183 lodges of our own, whilst under other Constitutions there are 40 English, 4 Irish, and 12 Scotch. During that twenty years we have assisted the widow and the orphan, the poor and the distressed to the extent of over £20,000. We now number nearly 12,000 members, and possess accumulated funds to the amount of between £24,000 and £25,000. Without being ostentatious, we may fairly say that these facts are matters for fraternal congratulation.

In twenty years the total of the funds of Grand Lodge has grown from £72 in 1891 to £24,439 in 1911.

During the year twelve new lodges had been constituted.

The Grand Master suggested (and Grand Lodge approved the suggestion) that each candidate initiated "should be provided with an inexpensive copy of the Sacred Writings, on which he would seal the obligations of the several degrees."

The English definition of physical fitness was approved—that is, that a candidate may be accepted who, although not perfect in his limbs, is sufficiently so to comply with and go through the various ceremonies required by the different degrees.

An amendment to the constitution was adopted which automatically excludes all members who permit their dues to their private lodges to fall into arrear for three years.

M.W. Bro. Alfred H. Burton conducts the Foreign Correspondence, and confines himself, for the most part, to a summary of the proceedings of the various Grand Lodges. When he does express an opinion, that opinion is briefly and moderately stated, but is always valuable.

Lodges under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of New Zealand 183; members 11,558.

Christopher James Whitney Griffiths, Wellington, Grand Master.

Malcolm Niccol, Wellington, Grand Secretary.

NORTH CAROLINA.

The one hundred and twenty-fifth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina was opened at Raleigh January 9, 1912. W. B. McKoy as Grand Master. Lodges represented 220; unrepresented 182. Ten Past Grand Masters were present, also Bro. W. W. Willson, the Representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

During the year six dispensations were issued for the formation of new lodges, and two lodges were continued under dispensation.

Grand Secretary Drewry proposes to establish a card system which will give "a complete record of every Mason that has ever lived in the state" since the Grand Lodge was formed in 1787.

The Orphan Asylum at Oxford shelters 316 children, of whom 165 are boys, and 151 girls. The cost of maintenance is \$32,825, of which \$10,000 is contributed by the State of North Carolina. About \$3,000 was received during the year in legacies toward establishing an endowment fund.

Some very interesting pages are given to a sketch of Joseph Montfort, an Englishman who lived in North Carolina during the greater part of his life, and who, we are told, was "the first, the last, and the only Grand Master of America." The Duke of Beaufort, Grand Master of the (Modern) Grand Lodge of England, in 1771, commissioned him "Provincial Grand Master of and for America." Many relics of Montfort are preserved, and they are highly valued.

The committee appointed for the purpose reported that a bust of Samuel Johnston, the first Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, had been placed in the rotunda of the State Capitol.

Grand Master Hackett delivered his address on the evening of the second day of the session. He announced the death of Francis M. Moye, who was Grand Master in 1895, and of Charles C. Clark, Grand Master in 1870.

The foreign relations of the Grand Lodge, he said, were most friendly; and the craft throughout the state was in a highly flourishing condition.

Bro. John A. Collins presented an excellent report on the Proceedings of fifty-four Grand Lodges. He

contented himself with telling what the bodies had done, and made no comment.

Lodges in North Carolina 410, including eight under dispensation; members 21,479, a gain of 633.

William B. McKoy, Wilmington, Grand Master.

John C. Drewry, Raleigh, Grand Secretary.

NORTH DAKOTA.

The twenty-second Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of North Dakota was opened at Grand Forks June 27, 1911. John J. Hull Grand Master. Lodges represented 101, including five under dispensation—all the lodges in the state. Ten Past Grand Masters were present. The name of the Representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada does not appear. In opening his address the Grand Master said:

The year has been a busy one. The growth of the Order has been beyond my faintest expectations when considering the depression of last year caused by the shortage of crop all over our entire state. We now number 101 lodges with a total membership of over eight thousand and an average membership of seventy-nine. But why should not Masonry keep pace with other institutions of the world? No institution was ever founded upon better principles or surer foundation; with our trust being in God, the Great Physician, who can heal us of our wounds, bind up our broken hearts, and soothe us in time of sorrow; with Faith, Hope and Charity as our watch-word, and Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth as the tenets of our order, who can wonder at the growth we have accomplished? And who can conceive of anything more beautiful?

In a private lodge one member charged another with the offence of obtaining money by misrepresentation and fraud. Then a brother moved that the money advanced to the offending brother by the complainant should be paid out of the funds of the lodge. The Worshipful Master ruled the resolution out of order, on the ground that the funds of the lodge could not be legally used for such a purpose. Appeal was taken to the Grand Master, who sustained the ruling of the Master of the lodge.

The Grand Master had granted a dispensation to a lodge to hold a meeting in the open air and there confer a degree.

In 1910 the Grand Lodge authorized the division of the state into fourteen districts. Bro. Hull reported that he had made this division, and had appointed a District Deputy Grand Master in each district.

Dispensations had been issued for the formation of five new lodges, and three lodges under dispensation had been consecrated.

Having been authorized so to do, the Grand Master had attended the convention called for the purpose and had assisted to organize the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association. He also recommended that a sum of money be appropriated to pay a proportionate share of the expense of maintaining that association.

The Committee on Foreign Relations recommended recognition of and exchange of representatives with the Grand Lodges of Norway and Mexico. For want of sufficient information it made no final recommendation respecting the Grand Lodge Alpina, of Switzerland. The report was adopted.

There is no report on Foreign Correspondence; but the system which is general on this continent will be adopted.

Lodges 101; members 8,006.

Robert Morrison, Pembina, Grand Master.

Walter L. Stockwell, Fargo. Grand Secretary.

NOVA SCOTIA.

The forty-sixth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia was opened at Halifax June 14, 1911. R. W. Bro. Fred. Merlin as Grand Master.

As the provincial elections were being held on the day fixed by the constitution for the assembling of Grand Lodge, the communication was adjourned to Wednesday, the 21st of June.

On the day named labor was resumed, with the Grand Master, M. W. Bro. William Marshall Black, on the throne. Three Past Grand Masters were present, and seventy-one lodges were represented. R. W. Bro. Thomas Mowbray, representing the Grand Lodge of Canada, was present.

Grand Master Black announced the death during the year of R. W. Bro. Duncan Cameron Fraser, Lieutenant-Governor of Nova Scotia; of R. W. Bro. Rev. Frederick M. Young, Grand Chaplain, and of R. W. Bro. Rev. H. D. DeBlois, Permanent Grand Chaplain.

At the previous communication of Grand Lodge the

Grand Master was authorized to appoint a Grand Lodge Historian. He had failed to find a suitable officer willing to undertake the work, and he referred the matter back to Grand Lodge. Apparently nothing further was done with it.

A District Deputy Grand Master had visited a lodge in the company of the Grand Master. Afterwards he made an official visit to the same lodge. Objection was made that he had no right to do so, or to receive grand honors. The Grand Master ruled that a District Deputy had a right to visit any lodge when he pleased; that when he did so he was the representative of the Grand Master, and that it was the duty of the lodge to receive him with grand honors.

During his first year as Grand Master Bro. Black had visited every lodge in the jurisdiction, and he had not made many formal visits during his second year.

During the two years of his service as Grand Master, Bro. Black said, the craft in Nova Scotia had made material progress in numbers and in the character of the work done.

Among the visitors to Grand Lodge were M. W. Bro. Doull, Grand Master of Masons in Prince Edward Island, and W. Bro. LeMessurier, Representative of the Grand Lodge of England near the Grand Lodge of Newfoundland.

The Masonic Home gives satisfaction. At the close of the year its inmates numbered eight, and its maintenance cost \$3,542. Besides the maintenance of the Home, seventy dollars was granted in charity.

R. W. Bro. Thomas Mowbray conducts the Foreign Correspondence with ability, and reviews the Proceedings of sixty-two Grand Lodges.

Lodges in Nova Scotia 71; members 6,223, a gain of 186.

Augustus John Wolff, Lunenburg, Grand Master.

Thomas Mowbray, Halifax, Grand Secretary.

OHIO.

The one hundred and second Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Ohio was opened at Dayton October 18, 1911. H. S. Kissell Grand Master. Lodges represented 508; unrepresented 12. Nineteen Past Grand Masters were in the East; and the volume of the

printed Proceedings is ornamented with a group picture of an "unbroken line of twenty Past Grand Masters of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ohio, F. & A. M., on October 19, 1911." Not many Grand Lodges can present at one gathering every presiding officer who has wielded the gavel for a period of twenty-two years.

The Mayor of Dayton welcomed Grand Lodge on behalf of the citizens, and M. W. Bro. Horace A. Irvin on behalf of the Masonic fraternity of Dayton.

In opening his address Grand Master Kissell said:

As we survey the year which has just closed, we cannot, I am quite sure, but distinguish a splendid advance in all lines of thought and action. Corruption in high places, unscrupulous business methods, unfair dealing between employer and employee, the great moral and social evils, are not condoned as formerly. Approaching these matters in a frank and honest way, eliminating prejudices and jealousies, applying real brotherly love in some instances, are assisting in the solution of these great problems and is bringing the world to a much higher plane morally, socially and economically, and I believe that the teachings of Masonry are having no small part in this general uplift.

He lamented the death of M. W. Bro. Joseph McKendree Goodspeed, who was Grand Master in 1884-5.

He had issued dispensations for the formation of four new lodges; and three lodges under dispensation were constituted and consecrated.

A little bit of the political history of Ohio is thus related:

During the past year, or possibly a little more, over eighteen hundred men have been convicted in Adams County for selling their votes, and these men have been disfranchised. In this same county we have five active lodges. Of the eighteen hundred men who were convicted, not one is a Mason, and not a Mason was indicted by the Grand Jury investigating these cases. If Masonry could maintain this record it would be a mighty power aiding in the solution of the many great problems which confront us as a nation.

The Grand Lodge declined to enter into relation with or subscribe to the funds of the International Bureau of Neuchatel, Switzerland, and recognized the York Grand Lodge of Mexico.

The Grand Master was authorized to secure for the Grand Lodge membership in the Washington Memorial Association.

The Ohio Masonic Home is at Springfield, and is a

magnificent shelter for aged brethren and the widows and orphans of Masons. At the time the report was made there were in the home 73 men, 47 women, 25 boys and 22 girls, making a total of 167 guests of the home. The cost of maintenance for the year was \$42,772, or a little more than \$250 for each guest. The brethren throughout the state contribute thirty cents per head annually; and last year Grand Lodge granted \$20,000, which appears to be in aid of the endowment fund. The endowment fund now amounts to nearly \$150,000.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is written by M. W. Bro. Nelson Williams, who is new to the task, but who submits a really excellent report. The Canadian Proceedings had not reached him when his work was closed; but he has reports of sixty-six grand bodies, and fills more than two hundred pages with valuable information and suggestions. He says:

The thing that has surprised us more than anything else in reviewing the Proceedings of other Grand Lodges is the almost recklessness with which Grand Masters set aside the fundamental rules of Freemasonry to enable subordinate bodies to rush through their candidates without regard to time. We cannot but believe that this is a serious mistake, and that it tends to cheapen the fraternity in the eyes of those who reap the benefit from it. Much criticism has been offered against our Grand Lodge for making a Mason "at sight," but in some of the jurisdictions reviewed the Grand Masters have granted dispensations to confer all three of the degrees on one day, and this is not very far removed from making Masons "at sight." We notice also that in one of the jurisdictions there was very strong criticism of the action of our Grand Master in making Bro. Taft a Mason at sight.

Lodges in Ohio 520; members 82,833, a gain of 3,332.

Thomas B. Guitteau, Toledo, Grand Master.

J. H. Bromwell, Cincinnati, Grand Secretary.

OKLAHOMA.

The third Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Oklahoma was opened at Guthrie February 8, 1911, by R. W. Bro. Alexis Eddleman, Deputy Grand Master, when—

The Deputy Grand Master proceeded to purge the body, after which he announced that the Most Worshipful Grand Master, George Ruddell, was present in the temple, and ordered the Grand Deacons, Wm. Perry Freeman and Almer E. Mon-

roncy, to retire and conduct him into the Grand Lodge and to the Grand East. The Grand Deacons thereupon conducted the Grand Master to the Grand East, where he was received with the Grand Honors.

Sixteen Past Grand Masters were present, some of them having presided over the Grand Lodge of Indian Territory, some over that of Oklahoma, and two over that of Arkansas, but all entitled to seats in the Grand Lodge of Oklahoma as it now exists. The name of the Representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada does not appear in the list of those present. Lodges represented 147.

The Grand Master said:

I am glad to say that peace and harmony have reigned supreme among the craft the past year, that the membership of constituent lodges has been largely increased, much wealth added to the institution, and the moral condition raised to a higher level throughout the jurisdiction.

Fifteen special communications of Grand Lodge had been held during the year, thirteen of them for the purpose of laying corner stones, and two for the purpose of dedicating lodge rooms.

Eighteen new lodges had been formed by dispensation.

One other dispensation had been granted under peculiar circumstances: An old brother had taken his dimitt from his lodge, and had petitioned for reaffiliation; but was taken seriously ill before he could be accepted. The Grand Master permitted the ballot to be taken out of time, so that the brother might have the benefit of a Masonic funeral.

The system of District Deputy Grand Masters has lately been introduced into Oklahoma, and the Grand Master finds it produces excellent results. He says: "I cannot speak too highly of the services rendered the Grand Lodge by these Deputies."

He, like his brother of Mississippi, is carried away by negrophobia. One lodge in New Jersey has a few colored men among its members, and the two Grand Lodges named have suspended fraternal relations with New Jersey on that account. If these zealous brethren cannot possibly have fraternal relations with anybody who will let a negro into a lodge, why do they not cut off the Grand Lodge of England? In the meantime

New Jersey calmly goes on doing business at the old stand.

Preparations are being made for the establishment of a Masonic home in Oklahoma. A tract of land has been bought, and \$25,000, as a first installment, has been paid thereon. The Grand Master proposed a levy of a dollar each year upon the brethren in the state for the completion and maintenance of the home.

Bro. Ruddell recommended the establishment of a card index system.

Bro. S. M. Bond writes an excellent report on Foreign Correspondence, covering the Proceedings of thirty-five Grand Lodges.

Alexis Eddleman, Marietta, Grand Master.

Wm. M. Anderson, Oklahoma City, Grand Secretary.

OREGON.

The sixty-first Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Oregon was opened at Portland June 14, 1911. Charles E. Wolverton Grand Master. Lodges represented 111; unrepresented 8. Nineteen Past Grand Masters were present; also R. W. Bro. Donald McKay, Representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

Grand Master Wolverton recommended recognition of the "York Grand Lodge of Mexico," and thinks it well to consider whether a warning should not be issued to constituent lodges of the seceding Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico.

He submitted a letter favoring union with the Masonic Relief Association of the United States and Canada.

He heartily approved of the proposal to erect a memorial to Washington the Mason.

Apparently our Oregon brethren are plagued with impostors or persons who have been gulled by impostors into paying money for some ceremony which they believe makes them Masons; and the Grand Master warns all brethren to be on their guard against these swindlers, and also against their dupes.

Bro. Binger Herman presented Grand Lodge with a gavel made from rock taken from the quarries under the site of King Solomon's temple.

A proposal to establish a Masonic home had been

submitted to the lodges throughout the jurisdiction, and had been rejected. There is a large charitable fund in the treasury, and the Grand Master recommended the appointment of a committee to devise ways and means for utilizing this in benevolence.

During the year Oregon lost two Past Grand Masters—John Milton Hodson, who filled the Grand East in 1899; and William Fountain Butcher, 1902.

M. W. Bro. David P. Mason writes the report on Foreign Correspondence, and an excellent report it is. He says:

I have simply reviewed the proceedings of our sister Grand jurisdictions that have been furnished me without stopping to criticize the acts of any one, or to find fault with decisions of Grand Masters or the reports of committees, appreciating the fact that all are doing their best to advance the cause of the grand old institution which we all love so well.

Bro. Mason has fallen into error as to the amount of the several Grand Lodge funds in this jurisdiction. He says: "Reports show balance on hand, including investments and cash, to be over \$30,000." In fact, when the Masonic year closed before the Annual Communication of 1910 the several funds aggregated \$184,034.89.

Lodges in Oregon 123, including 4 under dispensation; members 10,781, a gain of 856.

Thomas M. Baldwin, Prineville, Grand Master.

James F. Robinson, Portland, Grand Secretary.

PENNSYLVANIA.

The Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania holds quarterly and annual communications. At the quarterly meetings little more than routine business is transacted, but some of the proceedings are interesting. For example, at the meeting held in June, 1911, it was reported that a brother who had been tried and found guilty by a civil court, and sentenced to serve a term in prison, was tried by his lodge and the charge against him was not sustained. His accuser then appealed to Grand Lodge. The Committee on Appeals made a report of considerable length, the gist of which was that "a member of councils of a city who had been properly convicted of bribery in office is fit neither to be made a Mason nor to remain one." The expulsion from all Masonic rights and privileges was ordered.

The Grand Lodge owns a great deal of property, both real and personal. The Masonic temple at Philadelphia and the Masonic home are both very valuable properties, and there are enormous cash investments besides. The two make up a total of more than \$3,600,000. The revenue from lodges, and independent of rents and interest on investments, is about \$125,000 a year.

The fraternity in Pennsylvania suffered a great loss in October, 1911, when the Grand Secretary, R. W. Bro. William A. Sinn, was called hence. Bro. Sinn had been a Mason 44 years, and had been Grand Secretary fifteen years.

The Annual Grand Communication was held at Philadelphia, December 27, 1911, when the Grand Master, M. W. Bro. George W. Guthrie, delivered a comprehensive and able address. He was particularly severe on brethren who advertised their Masonic affiliations to secure political support. He said:

A brother convicted on a charge of attempting to use the fraternity for any such purposes could, and should, be expelled from Masonry; and every earnest, faithful Mason should show his condemnation of such conduct by every means in his power.

He had assisted to celebrate the one hundred and twenty-fifth anniversary of the formation of the Grand Lodge by laying the corner-stone of the new Masonic Home at Elizabethtown.

The rulings of the Grand Master were for the most part interpretations of Masonic law. Among those of wider interest are the following:

The use of chain letters by lodges or individual members of the fraternity is prohibited, no matter what the purpose.

It is the law in this jurisdiction that a Masonic lodge must not be opened on Sunday for any purpose whatever. If a funeral of a deceased brother is called for Sunday the members may meet at the lodge room and proceed from there to the funeral, but a lodge must not be opened.

Four new lodges were constituted during the year.

Bro. Guthrie entered an earnest protest against modern innovations in Masonry. He said:

The highway built by our fathers is broad and safe, and will surely lead us to the end, which all good men and true Masons desire. Let us continue to resist the allurements of untried by-paths, which, though they may appear attractive, lead to ends we know not of.

A very interesting account is copied from a contemporary newspaper of the celebration of St. John's day, 1796, by the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania. The brethren marched to church and listened to a sermon, after which they dined together. The toasts were thirteen in number, corresponding to the thirteen States of the Union. The toasts were as follows:

1. The States and the Craft.
2. The President our venerable Brother Franklin, and the land we live in.
3. The Most Worshipful the Grand Officers of Free Masons throughout the Globe.
4. Our illustrious and beloved Brother George Washington.
5. May the rust of discord never corrode the polished chain of Masonic fellowship.
6. The Reverend Clergy.
7. May unanimity and brotherly love be the characteristic of the Hon. Craft.
8. Charity for the faults of others and wisdom to correct our own.
9. The immortal memory of our royal Brother Frederic of Prussia.
10. The Uranian Society.
11. May our zeal, fervour and constancy, be productive of wisdom, strength and beauty.
12. May the Craft of the Western World vie with the old in assiduity and diligence to erect their New Temple and support its pillars with glory and honor.
13. May virtue, happiness and brotherly love, the pure off-spring of Masonic excellence, rest in this New World.

The newspaper from which the account is taken adds: "Thus has closed a day where festive hilarity did assume the social seats, and sweetly smiling innocence wreath the chaplet for his brow, crown the bowl and command the song."

There are four members of the Committee on Correspondence, but the chairman, Bro. James M. Lambertson, writes the report, which is a masterpiece of literary work. The Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Canada did not reach him in time for review.

Lodges 481, an increase of four; members 96,243, an increase of 4,307.

William L. Gorgas, Philadelphia, Grand Master.

John A. Perry, Philadelphia, Grand Secretary.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

The thirty-sixth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Prince Edward Island was held at Summerside June 28, 1911. William Stewart Grand Master. Fourteen lodges were represented, and seven Past Grand Masters were present. The name of the Representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada does not appear in the list of those received.

In opening his address the Grand Master said:

We have abundant cause of thankfulness to the Giver of all good for the continuance of prosperity with which He has blessed us. Our empire (to which we are proud to belong) has in the historic event of last week—the coronation of our beloved King and Queen—given a demonstration of loyalty and devotion which has evoked the admiration and sympathy of the whole civilized world; our country is at peace with the world, and prosperity has crowned her enterprises. We rejoice at the prospect of arbitration between the different branches of the Anglo-Saxon world, and trust that this is the beginning of the fulfilment of the prophecy that nations shall learn war no more, and that peace on earth and good-will to all mankind will prevail. Our beloved order has added another successful year to its history, and our membership has shown a satisfactory increase. Within our own jurisdiction the most fraternal and cordial relations exist between our lodges and our members, and on the whole we have many reasons to feel proud of the craft.

Bro. Stewart announced the death of Past Grand Master Benjamin Rogers, who presided in the Grand East in 1903 and 1904. His Masonic experience extended over a period of fifty-three years.

Steps are now being taken to form a new lodge in unoccupied territory.

In 1910 Bro. Stewart was called to Mexico; and, while there, he visited Toltec Lodge, one of those under the jurisdiction of the York Grand Lodge of Mexico. He was favorably impressed by the work he saw, and thinks well of the Grand body. He says:

That they will be in a much better position than formerly to do good work there can be no doubt; nor is there any doubt that the English and American residents are working as conscientiously and enthusiastically as we are, but unfortunately they have been handicapped by the Mexican element, whose ideas and aspirations seem more in line with what is generally known as Latin Masonry.

The committee on Foreign Correspondence, to whom that portion of the Grand Master's address was refer-

red, fully approved Bro. Stewart's views; but, as no formal request for recognition had been made, no action at present was advised.

Lodges in Prince Edward Island 14; members 737, a gain of 6.

Hector C. MacDonald, Charlottetown, Grand Master.

W. P. Doull, Charlottetown, Grand Secretary.

QUEBEC.

The forty-second Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Quebec was opened at Montreal February 14, 1912. Rev. Frank Charters, D.C.L., Grand Master. Lodges represented 59; unrepresented 5. Six Past Grand Masters were present, including M. W. Bro. I. H. Stearns, representing the Grand Lodge of Canada.

Grand Master Charters congratulated the brethren on the progress made by the craft in Quebec during the year, and the harmony which had prevailed throughout the jurisdiction. He said:

You will, I am sure, have great satisfaction in learning from the reports of the Grand Treasurer, the Grand Secretary and the District Deputy Grand Masters, that we have had a year of real progress—that there has been harmony in all the departments of our work, and that the net increase in members is the largest in the history of our Grand Lodge, as is also the increase in our financial strength. Masonry, apparently, never was more popular in this Province of Quebec than at the present time. While we earnestly rejoice at this fact, let me urge the exercise of great care in admitting members into our lodges. Gain in numbers may mean progress, but it might also mean weakness, if by any means there should be a lowering of the standard of qualification. Quality rather than quantity must ever be our motto.

He declined to grant dispensations to accept a candidate who had not resided the necessary length of time in the jurisdiction; to permit acceptance of a candidate who was partially paralyzed, necessitating the use of both crutch and cane; to permit a lodge to issue a begging letter on behalf of an unfortunate brother; and to institute a lodge in a town where the available material would be transitory.

He had, through the Grand Secretary, warned lodges that none but recognized Masons could be permitted to assist in or attend any public Masonic procession.

In October, 1911, he had unveiled, with Masonic ceremonies, a handsome monument in Mount Royal cemetery to the memory of Most Worshipful Brother John Helder Isaacson, who was for many years Grand Secretary. Bro. Charters was assisted by a number of Past Grand Masters and other distinguished brethren, and the ceremonies were solemn and impressive. A cut of the stone and one of the ceremonies attending the unveiling adorn the Proceedings.

Warrants were granted to two lodges under dispensation.

In the report of the Grand Secretary we find the following valuable recommendation, which is certainly worthy of attention in other jurisdictions:

During the past few years, I have experienced considerable difficulty in the issuing of duplicate charters to lodges who have been unfortunate in losing their warrants and records by fire. These lodges, who date their existence previously to the formation of the Grand Lodge of Quebec, find it at times impossible to furnish me with the particulars necessary for a warrant of confirmation, and I would courteously suggest that every lodge on the roll furnish the Grand Secretary with a photograph of their charter to be lodged in a safe or vault for any future emergency. The older lodges, especially, should also have a copy of their much-prized warrants put away in a place of safety.

The Grand Chaplain, the Rev. George A. McLennan, read a very interesting and instructive paper entitled "The Historical Setting of the Legend of the Temple." He describes a layer of soft white limestone, under Mount Moriah at Jerusalem, which is called Meleke, or royal stone, from which the stones for the temple were taken. These were excavated from a distance far below the foundations of the intended structure, and thus a cavern of considerable extent was formed. He continues:

This great underground cavern has been carefully explored. Let us enter through the small opening. Within is the blackness of darkness. We light our candles and crawl cautiously over heaps of earth and broken stone. The floor is covered with the stone chips made by the old workmen. Here are immense blocks, lying in the rough, as when quarried centuries ago. The roof is supported at intervals by immense piers of rock. At intervals you discover niches cut into the rock as receptacles for the little clay lamps which lighted the quarrymen at their work. Here is a spring of slightly brackish water, conveyed to a small cistern from which the thirsty drank. We see traces of the massive chisels with which the channel was cut around the

block to be quarried, and the mortices at intervals into which wooden wedges were driven, and which when water was poured upon them burst the blocks of stone from the bed-rock. We also see how the stones were dressed in criss-cross pattern by a toothed chisel. The edges of many of the stones have the "bevel" or "draft" characteristic of the Phœnician workmen. These quarries are sufficiently large to have supplied all the stone required for the ancient buildings of Jerusalem. Here the stones were finished before being brought to their intended place in the structure.

Sir Charles Warren, many years ago, in his work of excavation about the Temple area, exposed portions of the lower courses of the original retaining wall rising out of the depths of the valley. These foundation stones, though not so large as the great stones of Baalbec, are, nevertheless, immense blocks, beautifully dressed with bevelled or drafted edges, and so truly jointed as to appear as one stone. A skilled stone-cutter has told me that such a joint in large stones could not to-day be dressed so exactly by hand or machine tool, but must be done by rubbing one block upon the other. How did they do it? In the same way in which the great timbers were brought up to Jerusalem, and the great stones brought from the quarries to the wall—by the united effort of large numbers of men, when laborers were plentiful and human life of little value. These excavations revealed also another interesting fact—the discovery of Phœnician characters painted in bright vermilion or cut with a chisel into the stone—the quarry marks of the old quarrymen, similar to those found on the remains of Phœnician structures in Syria.

Sir Charles Warren also discovered the chief corner stone of the retaining wall at the S.E. angle. It is $38\frac{1}{2}$ feet x 7 feet x 3 feet 8 inches, and is thought to weigh over 100 tons. Truly squared, well polished, with a finely-dressed face, set down into the rock for 14 inches at the lower corner, it rests as it was placed 3,000 years ago.

There was also discovered, three feet due east of this corner, a hole in the rock, one foot across and one foot deep, filled with earth. The earth being removed there was found an old earthen jar, of no beauty or special quality of clay, resembling jars found in Cyprus or Græco-Phœnician colonies, or the pottery of ancient Egypt. Can it be that it is the jar which contained the anointing oil when King Solomon, with imposing ceremonies, laid the Chief Corner Foundation Stone?

M. W. Bro. E. T. D. Chambers continues to write the report on Foreign Correspondence, and gives his readers some excellent writing and good thoughts. Bro. Chambers is not only a good writer, but a judicious and discriminating editor.

Lodges in Quebec 64; members 7,021, a gain of 388.

Rev. Frank Charters, D.C.L. Montreal, Grand Master.

Will H. Whyte, Montreal, Grand Secretary.

QUEENSLAND.

The Grand Lodge of Queensland holds quarterly communications. The Grand Master, A. M. Hertzberg, was installed at a special meeting called for that purpose August 10, 1910. His address on that occasion contains a summary of the doings of the craft in Queensland, and enough of it is copied below to give readers an idea of the condition of Masonry in that distant part of the world.

Our brethren in Queensland are not united. Many of the lodges retain their allegiance to the mother Grand Lodges in England, Scotland and Ireland; and the parent bodies could not drive them out even if they had a desire to do so. Efforts are now being made to secure a complete union, under one local Grand Lodge, and the hope is that these efforts will be successful in the not distant future. Of the independent Grand Lodge, M. W. Bro. Hertzberg says:

We have 57 lodges on our roll. We aggregate between them over 2,000 members.

We have issued 1,072 Master Masons' certificates, which means we have initiated, passed and raised 1,072 members during the past five years.

The Grand Lodge Benevolent Fund has a credit balance of over £1,200. The relief granted amounts to over £700, more than half of which has been given to brethren of other constitutions, and that is entirely irrespective of benefactions by private lodges. We have utterly disregarded geographical distinctions as being unmasonic.

The Widows, Orphans, and Aged Masons Institution has a credit of over £1,850. The Institution is supporting nine orphans at present, and it must be a source of the utmost satisfaction to you, brethren, to know that the orphaned children of any of our brethren will find in that noble institution parental care and protection against the buffetings of the world.

The receipts are largely made up of contributions from Life Governors of the institution. While the lodges gave only £75, the Life Governors contributed no less than £279.

Bro. Hertzberg was re-elected Grand Master. The Grand Secretary is R. W. Bro. Charles H. Harley, whose address is Brisbane.

RHODE ISLAND.

At the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Rhode Island held in 1910, M. W. Bro. Henry War-

ren Rugg was elected and installed Grand Master. After serving about two months he died. An especial communication of Grand Lodge was held for the purpose of attending his funeral on the 25th of July, 1910. Bro. Rugg had served his brethren in many capacities, for many years, and died full of years and honors, mourned by the craft throughout the state.

The semi-annual communication was held at Providence November 21, 1910. W. Bro. Wendell R. Davis, Senior Grand Warden, presiding.

Two decisions approved at this communication were as follows:

1. That the Junior Warden, in the absence of the Master and Senior Warden, is by virtue of his office the presiding officer of the lodge and therefore has legal right to administer the obligation in conferring the degrees, and

2. That the Master, by virtue of his prerogative, has legal right to call upon any Master Mason in good standing to assist him in any part of the work of conferring the degrees.

Grand Lodge decided to become a subscribing member of the Washington Memorial Association.

Action was taken to secure a suitable monument in memory of the late Grand Master Rugg.

The death of M. W. Bro. George Henry Kenyon, who was Grand Master in 1889-90-91, was announced.

The one hundred and twenty-first Annual Communication was held at Providence May 15, 1911, James B. Gay, Deputy Grand Master, presiding. Lodges represented 34; unrepresented 3.

The address of the Deputy Grand Master was a purely formal address.

The committee on Foreign Correspondence reported in favor of an extended review of the proceedings of sister Grand Lodges, and the report was adopted.

A memorial was read on the life and character of M. W. Bro. William Nichols Ackley, who was Grand Master in 1887-88.

Mrs. Anna C. Clapp presented to Grand Lodge a portrait of her father, William Gray, who was Grand Master in 1860. The picture was accepted with thanks.

Lodges in Rhode Island 37; members 7,811, a gain of 347.

James Bacon Gay, Providence, Grand Master.

S. Penrose Williams, Providence, Grand Secretary.

SASKATCHEWAN.

The fifth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan was opened at Regina June 21, 1911, W. Bro. Arnold presiding. Adjournment was immediately had to the 28th of June. On that day the session was resumed. W. B. Tate Grand Master. Lodges represented 55; unrepresented 10. Four Past Grand Masters were present; also R. W. Bro. John M. Shaw, Representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

Bro. P. McAra, Mayor of Regina, delivered an address of welcome, which was fittingly responded to by the Grand Master and other distinguished brethren.

In his address the Grand Master said:

It is gratifying to be able to inform you that our Grand Lodge is in the continued enjoyment of peace and prosperity. The rapid growth and development of our Province is one of the marvels of this continent, and Masonry is trying to keep pace with this development, and is irresistibly pressing forward to achieve its great unmeasured destiny. At the time of the formation of our Grand Lodge five years ago we consisted of twenty-four chartered lodges and five under dispensation. At our last meeting we had increased to fifty-three chartered lodges, twelve to whom charters were authorized to be issued, and five under dispensation, a total of seventy lodges. Now we have sixty-five chartered lodges and eighteen under dispensation—a total of eighty-three lodges. Our total membership at the time of the formation of Grand Lodge was less than 900. At the time of our last Grand Lodge meeting we had a membership of 3,300—to-day we number approximately 4,000.

At an emergent meeting held in June, 1910, he had laid the corner stone of a Masonic temple at Prince Albert, which, he said, “will stand as a splendid monument to the enterprise and zeal of the brethren of that beautiful and progressive city.”

Twelve lodges had been constituted and consecrated during the year, and dispensations had been issued for the formation of thirteen new lodges.

Bro. Tate complains that men resident in Canada, temporarily visiting Scotland, are hastily accepted by lodges in that country, receive all the degrees, or some of them, and return to Canada after only a few weeks' absence, claiming to be regular Masons, and expecting to be received as such in Saskatchewan. He says: “Because a man happens to be a native of Scotland, our good brethren are not justified in foisting these people upon us with the hall mark of Masons upon

them, and in my opinion the time has arrived when this Grand Lodge should take strong grounds on the matter." Of course the brethren of Scotland are the judges of the kind of material they will accept and the safeguards they will throw around the craft in their country. On the other hand, Masons in Canada (all provinces) are entitled to determine for themselves whom they will recognize as Masons. A few years ago a candidate was rejected in a lodge in this jurisdiction. Shortly afterwards, while on a visit to Scotland, he was accepted, initiated and passed in a Scotch lodge, and returned to his home, after about six weeks' absence, a full-fledged Mason, as he supposed. But he was not recognized as a Mason; he was not allowed to visit the lodge in the town where he lived; and he soon discovered that, while he had the name, he had none of the privileges of a Mason.

The Grand Master is strongly in favor of a "combination receipt for dues and identification card," that is a receipt issued by the secretary of the lodge, bearing upon its back a certificate from the Grand Secretary that the lodge is a legitimate and regular lodge under the grand jurisdiction.

R. W. Bro. Arthur S. Gorrell is chairman of the committee on Foreign Correspondence, and he presents a good review of the Proceedings of fifty-four grand bodies. He falls into error when he says that at the 1910 Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Canada 404 lodges were represented and 141 were not. In 1910 there were 404 warranted lodges in this jurisdiction, of which 263 were represented in Grand Lodge at the Annual Communication.

Lodges in Saskatchewan 83, including six under dispensation; members 4,000.

William Hopkins, Saskatoon, Grand Master.

John M. Shaw, Regina, Grand Secretary.

SCOTLAND.

The Grand Lodge of Scotland holds quarterly communications, with occasional meetings of the Grand Committee. It is not easy to follow the printed Proceedings, which are largely made up of lists of office holders and financial statements; but some very interesting items are to be found in the various reports. At

the quarterly communication held in February, 1912, the following law was added to the constitution:

No brother of any lodge on the roll of the Grand Lodge of Scotland, or whose diploma as a Master Mason issues from Grand Lodge, shall take part in or be concerned with the working or promulgation in any manner of way of any degree, or rite, or order, purporting to be Masonic, which is not authorized by Grand Lodge, or by one of the other Masonic Grand Bodies with whom Grand Lodge is in amity; and any brother acting in breach hereof, or who shall join or countenance any body or society, purporting to be Masonic, not sanctioned by Grand Lodge or other Masonic Grand Body in amity with it, shall be liable to suspension or expulsion either at the instance of his lodge, or at the instance of Grand Committee.

In the report of the same communication we find the following entry:

A letter was read from Bro. James Rawe, Past Master of Lodge La Turquie, No. 1049, and Depute Master of Lodge Logos, No. 1083, referring to an interview he had as the result of an expression of sympathy made in the lodge by him in connection with the assassination of the Archbishop of Crevena in Macedonia, with his deacon and servant. His Holiness, the Patriarch Joachim, was very much touched by this kindly reference on the part of Lodge Logos to this tragic event, and received a deputation from it. Bro. Rawe, after again expressing his condolence with the Patriarch and his Church, took the opportunity of explaining to him the fundamental principles of Freemasonry. The Patriarch replied that they were in essential harmony with Christianity, and sent his blessing, not merely to the Grand Lodge of Scotland, but to all members of the Craft. He declared the meeting to be an historical event, and ordered it to be recorded in the archives of the Orthodox Grand Council, hoping that the Grand Lodge of Scotland would also preserve a record of it.

The unfortunate initiation of a colored prize-fighter by a Scotch lodge was the occasion of world-wide comment and protest. Incidentally it led to an amendment to the constitution which will prevent such scandals in future. Grand Lodge promptly took up the matter, with the result that the initiation was declared null, the officers of the lodge who participated in the scandal were punished, and the warrant of the lodge was temporarily suspended. The whole miserable business will, however, have a good result. For many years Scotch lodges have been in the habit of accepting as candidates men who are merely temporary visitors in Scotland, when there can be no possible opportunity to enquire into the character of the petitioner. This did

not arise through perverseness, but was a survival of old customs formed in years when far different conditions prevailed. The amendment to the constitution is not wholly such as it ought to be, but it is an improvement on the old. It is as follows:

No candidate for initiation into Freemasonry, or affiliation to a lodge, shall be admitted a member thereof until he produces an application, stating his name, age, profession, and residence; and a declaration that he has never been refused by any other lodge, or if so, when and by what lodge or lodges: which application shall be subscribed by two Master Masons of the lodge, in good standing. The name, profession and residence of each candidate, with the names of the Master Masons recommending him, shall appear on a notice which must be delivered, or posted, to every member of the lodge, in good standing, at least five days prior to the meeting at which the application is to be read and considered. The character and qualifications of the applicant shall be fully enquired into and considered, after which, if the brethren express themselves satisfied by ballot in open lodge, he may be admitted after payment of the fees.

If an addition were made requiring a reasonable period of residence within the jurisdiction of the lodge, or at least in Scotland, little would be left to desire.

The lodges on the Scottish register number 770. Of these 432 are in Scotland, and the rest are scattered over the face of the habitable globe. Fifty-five are in India, eighty-four in Queensland, twenty-four in Western Australia, and sixty-seven in South Africa.

The Marquess of Tullibardine is Grand Master, and David Reid, Edinburgh, Grand Secretary.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

The Grand Lodge of South Australia held a number of meetings during the Masonic year ending April 19, 1911.

A Lodge of Sorrow in memory of the death of King Edward the Seventh was held at Adelaide May 22, 1910, at which the principal features were addresses by the Grand Master, Sir Samuel James Way, and the Rev. Canon Poole. We may be pardoned for selecting from the former a picture of several members of the royal family about the year 1845. Sir Samuel said:

It was at Newport, in the Isle of Wight. The Queen, in the bloom of young motherhood, was driving a low pony chaise. At her side sat her mother, the Duchess of Kent. On her right

were two horsemen—H.R.H. the Prince Consort and Field Marshal the Duke of Wellington. On the left rode Prince Albert's brother, the reigning Duke of Saxe Coburg Gotha. Two beautiful children sat in the chaise with their backs to the ponies and facing their Queen mother and royal grandmother. One of them a little girl of four years old, Princess Royal of England, and long years afterwards, for too short a while, Empress of Germany. The other was a little boy under four years of age—the hope of England—our Prince of Wales. All of that little party have passed to where, beyond these voices, there is peace. Five of them fill a great place in history. The little blue-eyed, fair-haired boy was the last survivor. And now we and the whole world mourn for him as the foremost man and the greatest and best King of our time.

The half-yearly communication was held October 19, 1910, when only routine business was transacted.

A special communication was held March 1, 1911, for the purpose of considering amendments to the constitution.

At a special communication held March 17, 1911, these amendments were adopted.

The Annual Communication was held at Adelaide April 19, 1911. Sir Samuel James Way Grand Master.

The Grand Master said that nine warrants had been issued during the year to new lodges. All lodges had paid their lodge dues for the financial year.

The Board of General Purposes strongly recommended that all lodges should provide for each initiate a small volume of the Sacred Law, "to be used by him during the various ceremonies, and finally presented to him when he has attained his third degree."

The various funds of Grand Lodge were said to amount to \$130,000.

The committee on Foreign Correspondence consists of ten prominent brethren, and the work of review is divided among them, each signing the work done by him.

There are 61 lodges in South Australia, with 4,119 members. The increase for the year was 524.

Sir Samuel James Way, Bart., Adelaide, Grand Master.

Charles R. J. Glover, Adelaide, Grand Secretary.

The half-yearly Communication of the Grand Lodge of South Australia was held at Adelaide October 9, 1911. Sir Samuel J. Way, Bart., Grand Master.

The Board of General Purposes reported that, during the half-year, five lodges had been consecrated, and there was ample evidence that success would attend them. Three Masonic halls had been dedicated. The Board added that "for the period under review the prosperity of the craft had been well maintained; it was still making rapid strides, and its sphere of activity was continually being extended."

An amendment to the constitution was proposed to the effect that no grand officer except the Grand Master, the Pro Grand Master, the Grand Secretary and the Grand Tyler, should hold the same office for more than two consecutive years; but it was defeated.

An amendment to the constitution reconstituting the Board of Trustees was adopted at a special meeting held November 30, 1911, the opinion being strongly held that incorporation of the Grand Lodge was not desirable. The Grand Master said that all incorporated bodies were subject to intervention of the Attorney-General on behalf of the Crown; and there was nothing demanding greater vigilance than preservation of Grand Lodge from all civil control.

The Annual Communication was held at Adelaide April 17, 1912. Sir Samuel J. Way, Bart., Grand Master. Lodges represented 18. The Representative of Canada was not present. Sir Samuel J. Way was reelected Grand Master. The revision of the constitution was carried.

The Board of General Purposes reported that three new lodges had been established, and that the membership at the close of the year was 4,424, an increase of 411. There were 64 lodges in the jurisdiction, of which 13 were in Adelaide; 11 within a radius of ten miles of the city, and 40 outside of that limit. Thirty-one Masonic Halls were owned by lodges throughout the jurisdiction. The property and cash belonging to Grand Lodge were valued at £26,730. Relief had been given during the year to the amount of £365.

The Foreign Correspondence is in the hands of a committee of fourteen brethren, who give a good report of the Proceedings of all the Grand Lodges which had reached them.

Sir Samuel J. Way, Bart., Adelaide, Grand Master.
Charles R. J. Glover, Adelaide, Grand Secretary.

SOUTH CAROLINA.

The one hundred and thirty-fifth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of South Carolina was opened at Charleston December 12, 1911. James R. Johnson Grand Master. Lodges represented 236, including 14 under dispensation. Seven Past Grand Masters were present; also Bro. James H. DuPre, Representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

The Grand Master reported peace and prosperity at home, and harmony with other jurisdictions.

He regretted that Grand Lodge had not seen fit to change the constitutional requirement as to physical fitness of candidates. He said:

In the past four or five years more than a majority of the Representatives of the Grand Lodge have repeatedly by ballot declared themselves in favor of this change; however, it never has been possible so far to obtain the necessary three-fourths.

Subsequently a resolution was passed submitting the proposed amendment to the lodges in the state, calling upon them to instruct their representatives in Grand Lodge how to vote upon it. The amendment is in these words:

Every candidate for initiation in this jurisdiction must be without maim or defect in his body or mind that may render him incapable of learning and practising the art, and who can comply literally with all the requirements as to initiation ceremonies without artificial aid or friendly assistance.

A few years ago a Grand Master in South Carolina said that if a candidate were found to have lost a quarter of an inch from the tip of the little finger of his left hand he would, under the law of the jurisdiction, be ineligible. Apparently the law is still unchanged, yet Bro. Johnson ruled that a man who had lost his vermiform appendix might be accepted. Surely a vermiform appendix is as necessary to the proper working of a ceremony as the tip of a little finger.

The Grand Master authorized the Grand Secretary to procure a file case and cards and to establish the card index system. The work is now in progress.

Dispensations were issued for the formation of eight new lodges; seven were continued under dispensation; and three were constituted and consecrated.

Many rulings were made, all of local interest only except the following: "The Master of a lodge is the

sole judge as to who shall enter his lodge room, whether member or visitor."

Bro. Johnson declared that the Masonic orphanage was very close to his heart; he regretted that lodge and individual contributions in its aid were less than formerly; yet the building fund was growing, and had reached the sum of \$60,000; but he thought it unwise to begin a new building until assurance was in sight that when completed it would not be in debt.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is by M. W. Bro. J. L. Michie. It is a good document full of interesting reading. Like some others he cannot quite understand the ruling of M. W. Bro. Macwatt that evening dress need not be worn in our Grand Lodge except at evening sessions. He says:

A wise recommendation so far as it goes, but it does not go far enough. We feel reasonably certain that not every Mason in Canada can afford an evening dress suit, and the want of these "glad rags" might humiliate a worthy brother. We have never been in favor of "kid glove" lodges.

Well, sumptuary laws have never been popular. Still, if Bro. Michie will carefully read the history of his own country he will learn that a Tennessee legislature once decided that no representative might appear in the legislative halls with bare feet. But the ruling or recommendation in question was only to the effect that officers of the Grand Lodge of Canada need not wear evening dress at day sessions. As to the kid gloves it may be remarked that many very respectable men have been known to wear them; and further that their use by Masons is very ancient. Perhaps it would be hardly correct to say that kid gloves are a landmark of Masonry, though some of them are badly landmarked; still the English Regulations, compiled by Grand Master George Payne in 1720, provided that "every new brother at his making is decently to cloath the lodge, that is all the brethren present," which means that he was to buy gloves for each brother present at his initiation. Further, William Schaw, who was "Maistir of Wark, Warden of the Maisonis" for the King of Scotland in 1599, "ordainit" that all fellows of craft should pay to the common books of the lodge the sum of ten pounds money, with ten shillings worth of gloves. So that there is precedent for the wearing of gloves as well as shoes by the Grand Master and his officers.

Lodges 237, including 9 under dispensation; members 13,772, a gain of 637.

George S. Mower, Newberry, Grand Master.

O. Frank Hart, Columbia, Grand Secretary.

SOUTH DAKOTA.

The thirty-seventh Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of South Dakota was opened at Chamberlain June 13, 1911. Samuel S. Lockhart Grand Master. Lodges represented 89; unrepresented 39.

Bro. Francis K. Berry, the Mayor of Chamberlain, welcomed Grand Lodge in a happy speech, which was eloquently responded to by M. W. Bro. Oscar S. Gifford.

The Grand Master feelingly referred to the loss during the year of three Past Grand Masters—William Clark Allen, Grand Master in 1894; Henry Harrison Blair, Grand Master in 1876; and Frederick H. Files, Grand Master in 1895.

One lodge had been constituted and consecrated; two corner stones had been laid; and one Masonic temple had been dedicated.

A Master of a lodge asked the Grand Master "if this lodge has the right to vote out of its treasury the sum of three hundred dollars to pay for sick and funeral expenses of a man who has not been a Mason in good standing for fifteen or twenty years, perhaps more, and who has never visited this lodge, and we have never been able to find any of his lodge record, but who claimed to have been made in Scotland, and who for the last ten or fifteen years has lived a life of drunkenness and profligacy." To which the Grand Master replied, "Yes; but it ought not to." If that is the law in South Dakota it is a strange law. We have always understood that an unaffiliated Mason had no claim on the fraternity, and was not entitled to a Masonic funeral.

Bro. Lockhart recommended the appointment of a committee to enquire respecting the Washington Memorial Association, and to make a recommendation respecting it.

Dispensations had been issued for the formation of seven new lodges.

M. W. Bro. Samuel A. Brown writes the report on Fraternal Correspondence, and shows great ability in

presenting a review of the Proceedings of sixty-three Grand Lodges. In most cases he presents a portrait of the Secretary of the body under review, which portraits form a pleasant picture gallery.

Lodges in South Dakota 128; members 8,901, an increase of 577.

Charles L. Brockway, Chamberlain, Grand Master.

George A. Pettigrew, Sioux Falls, Grand Secretary.

TENNESSEE.

The ninety-eighth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Tennessee was opened at Nashville January 31, 1912. John R. Rison, Grand Master. Lodges represented 438; unrepresented 14. Seventeen Past Grand Masters were present. The Representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada was absent.

The Grand Master was delighted with the conditions of Masonry throughout the state. Peace and harmony had prevailed, and there had not been a single appeal from his rulings. He added:

I want to congratulate the Grand Lodge on the high standard of its subordinate lodges. From the best information I am able to gather, a very wise course is being pursued in the admission of members, those only being acceptable who will, in the opinion of the lodge, reflect no discredit on the fraternity; quality, not quantity, being the motto observed. Men of doubtful probity are being excluded.

My own corps of grand officers has remained unbroken, and not a death has occurred among our past grand officers during the year, a most remarkable and gratifying record. But in many of our subordinate lodges strong and valiant brethren have answered the angel's call.

We have abundant reasons to rejoice and be thankful for the progressive spirit that has actuated Masonry in this jurisdiction.

The affairs of the Masonic Widows' and Orphans' Home had given him some concern. He had issued two appeals for financial assistance from the lodges throughout the state, and the home had obtained in response about \$3,300.

While visiting one of the lodges in the western part of the state the lodge received the Traveling Trowel sent out by Justice Lodge of New York; and Bro. Rison, accompanied by a number of brethren, took the trowel to the Mississippi river, and baptised it in the waters

of that mighty stream. We are glad to learn that the builder's implement is no longer in the unbaptised and unregenerate state in which it was when it passed through this jurisdiction.

Seven dispensations for the formation of new lodges were issued during the year.

The Grand Master strongly recommended an increase of twenty-five cents in the per capita tax for the purpose of establishing and maintaining an old Masons' home; after several references the tax was fixed at \$1.25 per capita, but, if we understand it, the increase was to go to the Widows' and Orphans' home, and not to the Aged Masons' home.

A committee was appointed to devise a suitable celebration for the one hundredth anniversary of the Grand Lodge.

After the election the retiring Grand Master presented to M. W. Bro. Bachman, the newly-installed Grand Master, the signet ring; and Bro. Bachman was deeply moved. Among other things he said:

While I come from the mountains, where in July's long days you may see in the far-off southwest the storm god get up like a giant refreshed from his slumber and ride forth in his pavilion of the thunderbolted cloud, while the white lightning kisses his black, angry brow, and his hoarse thunder moves on in stately step, filling the valleys with his angry growl, until at last in gentle tintinnabulations it dies away in the far-off valleys like the last notes of an old convent bell and leaves the day to sunlight and to me, I shall keep a clear eye and a warm heart for every brother in this great commonwealth who wears the white apron upon his breast, as well as those who become our jewels in love, charity and faith.

M. W. Bro. Henry A. Chambers is chairman of the committee on Fraternal Correspondence, and, apparently, writes the report. It is a good report, and full of interest.

There are 452 lodges in Tennessee, with 25,589 members, an increase of 787.

J. Lynn Bachman, Sweetwater, Grand Master.

John B. Garrett, Nashville, Grand Secretary.

UTAH.

The forty-first Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Utah was opened at Salt Lake City January 16, 1912. Gilbert Benjamin Pfoutz Grand Master. Rep-

representatives were present from all the lodges in the state, seventeen in number; and fifteen Past Grand Masters responded to their names; also R. W. Bro. Alexander Topence, representing the Grand Lodge of Canada.

In opening his address the Grand Master said:

Forty years ago to-morrow this body came into existence through the heroic endeavors of a small band of noble spirits, who had for years previous been struggling to set up in this then wilderness the standard of Masonry, and teach that liberty of conscience and right living for which it stands. We of this generation can scarcely realize what that struggle meant, and the trials that that brave band of patriots encountered before they succeeded in bringing their fondest desires to fruition.

We have with us to-day two of those men, and they are just as active in the cause as of yore; notably our beloved Grand Secretary, Christopher Diehl, who, with the exception of the first few months, when he was Assistant Grand Secretary, has been continuously the Grand Secretary of this Grand Lodge. His character and work are well known to all, and he will ever remain the bright and shining star of Masonry in Utah. Then comes our Most Worshipful Brother, Louis Cohn, the first Deputy Grand Master, and the third and now oldest living Past Grand Master of this jurisdiction. We all know his good work, and the inspiration he has ever been to the younger brethren. May they be spared to us for many years to come. I would suggest that this Grand Lodge, in some befitting manner, show these brethren how great is the honor and love in which we hold them.

One lodge was constituted and consecrated, and dispensations were granted for the formation of two new lodges. Bro. Pfoutz said that this was the first time in the history of the Grand Lodge that more than one dispensation had been issued in one year for the formation of new lodges. Mormonism, like other spiritual despotisms, is not friendly to that liberty of conscience and liberty of thought which Masonry favors. He characterized the begging chain letters sent out ostensibly to collect funds for building a monument to President William McKinley as "a fraud before the fraternity."

One of the pleasing events of the year was the presentation of a gold-headed cane to R. W. Bro. James W. Pearson, who had been fifty-five years a Mason.

A reception was tendered to M. W. Bro. Louis Cohn, the third Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Utah, and the oldest living Past Grand Master of the jurisdiction; and to R. W. Bro. Christopher Diehl, who was Assistant Grand Secretary the first year after the for-

mation of Grand Lodge, and has been Grand Secretary ever since that year, a period of forty-one years.

Bro. Diehl is chairman of the committee on Foreign Correspondence, and presents an excellent, though condensed, report.

Lodges in Utah 17; members 1,984, a gain of 205.

Sam Henry Goodwin, Provo, Grand Master.

Christopher Diehl, Salt Lake City, Grand Secretary

VERMONT.

Vermont is one of the happy States whose Masons have had little history to record. Several special communications were held during the year for laying corner-stones and constituting lodges, and the one hundred and eighteenth Annual Communication was opened at Burlington June 14, 1911. Henry L. Ballou Grand Master. Seven Past Grand Masters were in the East, and eighty-three lodges were represented, twenty being unrepresented. Among the Grand Representatives was R. W. Bro. George B. Wheeler, representing the Grand Lodge of Canada.

The Grand Master said the reports of the District Deputy Grand Masters showed that "the marked prosperity enjoyed in former years has been continued, and that the fraternity is increasing in numbers, wealth, influence and usefulness."

Bro. Ballou is in thorough sympathy with the proposal to erect a fitting memorial to "George Washington, the Mason," and thinks that Vermont Masons should "be foremost in their support of this commendable enterprise."

He reported that he had assisted in presenting a testimonial to "Uncle Bert True," one of the oldest of the past office-bearers of Grand Lodge. He added: "It is a mistake to wait until death removes our useful and well-beloved brothers from us before giving expression to our appreciation."

The rest of the proceedings record business of local interest only.

The Foreign Correspondence is written by M. W. Bro. Marsh O. Perkins, who presents a well-digested and carefully-prepared report of 168 pages.

Lodges 103; members 13,135 a gain of 202.

Henry L. Ballou, Chester, Grand Master.

Henry H. Ross, Burlington, Grand Secretary.

VICTORIA.

Victoria reports quarterly communications in March, June, September and December, 1911. The Grand Master, Sir T. D. Gibson Carmichael, was on the throne at the March meeting; but he removed from Australia sooner than he had expected, and the Pro Grand Master, M. W. Bro. George E. Emery, presided at the other communications.

The number of lodges represented at any of the meetings is not stated. The Representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada was faithful in his attendance.

Some brethren at Hopetoun petitioned for a new lodge at that place, to be called Corong Lodge, but objection was taken to the name, because it might be confused with Currajong Lodge, which meets at Curryong.

A communication was received from the Grand Lodge of South Australia suggesting that candidates pledge their fidelity on a small volume of the Sacred Law, which may be presented to them when they are raised. The Board of General Purposes saw no objection to the proposal.

At the March meeting the Grand Master said:

The year just passed has been one of steady progress. The number of financial members has increased by 457, making a total of 11,728 on 31st December, 1910. The funds have increased by £3,491 18s. 8d., making the total funds at the same date £25,280 12s. 7d. The debt upon our Freemasons' Hall property has been reduced by £2,000, leaving a balance of £16,000 to be paid. These figures indicate progress and prosperity, but more important still is the work of promoting unity and unanimity which is indicated by the work of the Grand Inspector of Workings and his 25 assistant inspectors.

A memorial to the memory of the late King Edward the seventh was established by the formation and partial endowment of the "King Edward VII. Memorial Scholarship Fund." A sum of £1,077 was raised as a beginning.

Considerable discussion took place, at several communications, over a proposal to recognize the Grand Lodge of Queensland. In the end the motion to recognize was held over for further consideration. The opinion seemed to be generally held that if time were given all the lodges in Queensland would unite with the present Grand Lodge to form a united body.

There are 197 active lodges in Victoria, with 11,728 members. The initiations for the year 1910 numbered 1,150, and the increase in membership for the year was 457. The Grand Treasurer's balance showed £22,749 at the credit of the Benevolent Fund and £3,860 at the credit of the General Fund.

Bro. the Rev. Albert Thomas Holden was elected Grand Master.

C. J. Barrow, Grand Secretary.

WASHINGTON.

The fifty-fourth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Washington was opened at Spokane June 13, 1911. Jeremiah Neterer Grand Master. Lodges represented 161; unrepresented 7. Fifteen Past Grand Masters were in the Grand East, including M. W. Bro. Blalock, Representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

Among the distinguished visitors was M. W. Bro. A. DeWolf Smith, of British Columbia.

The Rev. William J. Hendley, who is Worshipful Master of Spokane Lodge, and, incidentally, Mayor of Spokane, welcomed Grand Lodge to the city in a very felicitous speech, which was as felicitously responded to by the Grand Master.

Among the lamented dead of the year were Bro. Joseph Smith, who was Grand Master in 1887 and 1888; and Lois Ziegler, who was Grand Master in 1885 and 1886.

In 1910 Grand Lodge adopted a resolution instructing the Grand Master to take steps to have the body incorporated under the laws of the state. Bro. Neterer says that, after examining the articles filed, he found serious difficulties in the way, and he advised further conference before taking final action. The matter was left in the hands of a committee.

The Grand Lodge of Illinois claims "perpetual jurisdiction" over all candidates once proposed for membership in that state. That is, if the rejected candidate remove to another state, he can never be accepted by any lodge in that state without the consent of the Illinois lodge which rejected him. M. W. Bro. Neterer holds that the Grand Lodge of Washington is a sovereign and independent body, and that it must be the absolute and final judge of the quality of the material

it will accept. In taking that view he is in accord with the doctrine and practice of the mother Grand Lodge of the world and of a majority of all the Grand Lodges in existence. Undoubtedly he is right, and undoubtedly those bodies which hold to the doctrine of perpetual jurisdiction will be compelled to come to that way of thinking. There is no sound reason for saying that one man in the state of Illinois, who may have a personal grudge against another man, shall be able to tell the sovereign Grand Lodge of the State of Washington that it must not accept that candidate if he becomes a permanent resident of that state. And, if the Grand Lodge of Washington decides, as it has decided, to accept material rejected in Illinois, what can the Grand Lodge of Illinois do about it?

The Grand Master does not approve of the system of District Deputy Grand Masters; and, acting on his advice, Grand Lodge resolved to abolish the system, and to appoint additional Grand Lecturers.

During the year three lodges under dispensation were consecrated, and dispensations were issued for the formation of seven new lodges.

A proposal to establish a Masonic home is now before the Washington brethren. Bro. Neterer is deeply interested in this project, and hopes that the home may be established.

Bro. Neterer closes his address with an eloquent description of Masonry as a character builder. We wish the whole of it could be reproduced here, but the limits assigned us will not permit. Here, however, is one paragraph:

I believe that Masonry is worth while; that it stands for something. I believe that it is as enduring as the hills, and that in the upbuilding of our institutions and in the advancement of our civilization its influence has been and will be a strong agency in the constructive order of things that are of real value. Masonry, if it is anything, is a constructive institution, and if it would advance with the advancing civilization it must develop into a strong constructive force, and form into active operation the growing mind of to-day, which will be the ruling force to-morrow. We must impress upon every neophyte not only the signs and secrets of this institution, but also impress upon his memory and inspire into his life and into the life of every individual the principles of Masonry which are contained within the extended points of the compasses, and place upon the

trestle-board of life designs which should and must govern every man who enters its portals, and inspire every person with whom we may come in contact.

Returns show that the fees for the degrees in Washington range from \$30 to \$100. Annual dues range from \$2 to \$15. Thirty-six lodges own their halls, and two are part-owners. Lodges own real estate valued at \$378,290, and investments amounting to \$89,609. Cash in treasuries of the lodges amounts to \$84,516.39. Charity extended by lodges the past year, \$14,590.60.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is written by M. W. Bro. Stephen J. Chadwick, and is very full, instructive and interesting. He does not agree with M. W. Bro. Macwatt in holding that the Master-elect of a lodge ought to be proficient in the work and familiar with the constitution in order to qualify himself for installation. He says:

Taken altogether, it must be admitted that few Masters are proficient in the ritual, or are skilled in the constitution, laws and usages of the craft, when installed, but the nature of the office is such that it inspires fidelity and zeal, and the new Master usually acquits himself with credit to himself and honor to the fraternity.

A brother cannot be installed as Master of a lodge unless he has served a year as Warden. Generally he has served two years as Warden, and five or six in minor offices. During all these years he has enjoyed opportunities for learning the work and studying the constitution and the by-laws of his lodge. If he will not qualify himself during all those years is it likely that he will do so when the added burdens and cares incident to the ruling of the lodge are placed upon him? And is it right that the lodge should suffer because an ambitious brother desires to have the honors of office while unable or unwilling to qualify himself for the duties of office?

Bro. Chadwick tells his readers that, in justice to his health and strength, he finds himself compelled to give up the reviewer's work. This is much to be regretted. Many will miss him, and all will sorrow for the cause of his retirement.

Lodges in Washington 176; members 15,676, an increase of 1,273.

David S. Prescott, Spokane, Grand Master.

Horace W. Tyler, Tacoma, Grand Secretary.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

Following the example of Grand Lodges in the British Islands, the Grand Lodge of Western Australia holds quarterly communications.

On the 20th of May, 1910, it held a special communication and in memoriam service for King Edward the Seventh. The ceremonies were of an impressive character, and the principal address on the occasion, delivered by the Grand Master, the Right Reverend C. O. L. Riley, Lord Bishop of Perth, was an eloquent tribute to the worth and service of the late King. Members of lodges still adhering to the mother Grand Lodges in Britain joined in the service.

At the quarterly communication held in July announcement was made that an incident which at one time seemed to threaten fraternal relations with the Grand Lodge of Scotland had been satisfactorily arranged. The Scottish body had proposed to change the meeting place of one of its lodges to a town in which there was already a lodge under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Western Australia, and where there appeared to be room for only one body. Remonstrance was made, and the proposed change was not carried through.

The Deputy Grand Master said that the Widows', Orphans' and Aged Freemasons' Fund was sufficient for present needs, but new applications were coming before the board, and he made a special appeal for voluntary contributions. The capital of the fund at that time amounted to £3,200 and the annual interest derived from it was £140, while grants for the year aggregated £218. The deficiency was made up from the general fund of Grand Lodge, so that no deserving applicant had been neglected.

The Annual Communication was held April 27, 1911, with the Grand Master presiding. His Lordship said the past year had been one of uniform prosperity; membership was increasing, suspensions for non-payment of dues were decreasing, contributions to the benevolent funds were growing larger, and he was particularly glad to be able to say that for nine years not a single active lodge had been in arrear with its annual returns and dues to Grand Lodge. He added: "In 1900 our Grand Lodge was formed with 33 lodges

and a membership of 2,000. To-day there are ninety lodges on the roll, 87 of which are working, with a total membership of 3,733.

The names of the committee on Foreign Correspondence are not given. The work is distributed among them, and each brother initials the work he does. The brother who reports on Canada (probably R. W. Bro. F. A. McMullen) complains that this correspondent has not criticised his work. Well, dear brother, if you will say something improper, or unmasonic, or incorrect, you shall see how you will be torn to tatters; but while the work is done fully and discriminatingly, with kindness and Masonic courtesy, as all the work in the report before us is done, there is nothing to criticise.

The good brother who reviews the Idaho Proceedings will, however, unless we miss our mark, get a wiggling from the Grand Lodge of Mississippi. The Grand Master of Idaho was asked if a native of Persia was eligible for the degrees of Masonry, and he replied that, while each lodge must be the sole judge of the qualifications of its candidates, he recommended "that the petition be not received." Upon which our antipodean brother says:

In stating that the lodge should be the sole judge of who shall become its members, the Grand Master was, in our view, undoubtedly correct, but we are unable to see any conditions stated in the question that prompted him to suggest that the petition be not received. Possibly it is the color line, which, we understand, is rigidly enforced in some of the American jurisdictions. This we consider Masonically wrong. A candidate should be judged as a man, irrespective of his color.

The scene when "Siva opened upon the accursed one his eye of fire" was skim milk and water when compared with the doings when Mississippi gets after the man who could give utterance to sentiments like these.

The credit balances of the various funds of Grand Lodge are given thus:

General Fund	£ 4,539 13 5
Fund of Benevolence.....	3,760 0 3
Widows', Orphans' and Aged Freemasons' Fund	4,313 9 9
Freemasons' Hall Account.....	13,107 12 5
Total.....	£25,720 15 10

Lodges in Western Australia 87; members 3,783.

Rt. Rev. C. O. L. Riley, Perth, Grand Master.

J. D. Stevenson, Perth, Grand Secretary.

WEST VIRGINIA.

The forty-seventh Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of West Virginia was opened at Charleston November 15, 1911. Wyndham Stokes Grand Master. Lodges represented 138; unrepresented 5. Seventeen Past Grand Masters were present, including M. W. Bro. George W. McClintic, representing the Grand Lodge of Canada.

During the year there had been fourteen communications of Grand Lodge, eight for laying corner stones, two for dedicating halls, two for installing grand officers, one for consecrating a lodge, and one for conferring the three degrees in one evening upon the Hon. John Homer Holt, which is probably about the same thing as making a Mason at sight.

In opening his address Grand Master Stokes said:

The past year has been singularly successful; harmony has been generally preserved amongst our ranks, and Masonry is in better condition than heretofore. The interest which the members of the lodge are taking in its work is very marked, and the ritual is uniform throughout our boundaries.

There had been no death of an officer of Grand Lodge nor of any Past Grand Master.

Bro. Stokes recommended a contribution from each Mason in West Virginia of twenty cents a year for five years in aid of the memorial to Washington the Mason.

He recommended that Grand Lodge become a subscribing member of the Masonic Relief Association of the United States and Canada.

He recommended the employment of a Grand Lecturer to instruct officers of the various lodges in the work.

He recommended that recognition of the order of the Eastern Star be withdrawn, and that chapters of that order be forbidden to meet in Masonic lodge rooms. "It is," said Bro. Stokes, "as much an independent order as that of the Odd Fellows or the Knights of Pythias, but we allow them to meet in our lodge rooms in the same manner as if they were a branch of the Masons." Grand Lodge did not, however, agree with the recommendation, and left lodges free to permit the use of their lodge rooms by bodies of the Eastern Star if they should see fit.

As instructed by Grand Lodge, he had removed from office all representatives of sister jurisdictions who had failed to attend Grand Lodge for three years.

He recommended that brethren who have taken the degree of Past Master in a Royal Arch Chapter be allowed to attend provisional lodges of Past Masters in Craft Masonry, or, as we in Canada would say, Boards of Installed Masters. Grand Lodge approved the recommendation. We cannot help thinking this to be a mistake. Craft Masonry should know no Masonry but that which is conferred in a Craft lodge, and should recognize no rank or honors but those earned in a Craft lodge.

One lodge under dispensation was consecrated, and dispensations were granted for the formation of two new lodges.

Grand Lodge ordered the formation of a Grand Lodge Charity fund, to be formed by paying into the charity fund ten cents per annum for each Mason in the jurisdiction from the general fund of Grand Lodge.

The excellent report on Foreign Correspondence is from the pen of M. W. Bro. H. R. Howard, the Grand Secretary. He figures out that there are in the United States 14,012 Masonic lodges, with 1,412,179 members, a gain of 63,156 members in one year. Bro. Howard fears that this present correspondent may be disappointed in the report of the West Virginia Committee on Ancient Landmarks. As that committee declined to go into the question we are disappointed. But our matured conviction is that all the ancient landmarks are incorporated in the Golden Rule.

Lodges in West Virginia 145; members 14,874. a gain of 806.

John M. McConihay, Charleston, Grand Master.

H. R. Howard, Point Pleasant, Grand Secretary.

WISCONSIN.

The sixty-seventh Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin was opened at Milwaukee June 13, 1911. Ernest E. Gatchell Grand Master. Lodges represented 248; unrepresented 16. Thirteen Past Grand Masters were present, including M. W. Bro. Hiram W. Sawyer, representing the Grand Lodge of Canada.

In opening his address the Grand Master recalled the time just half a century earlier, when Grand Lodge met, and there was no Grand Master present, because the nation was pouring out its men to preserve the integrity of the Union, and Grand Master Gabriel Bouck was in the ranks. Bro. Gatchell says:

The Grand Lodge was at that time composed of 119 lodges, and a membership of 3,700. To-day we represent 264 chartered lodges, and a membership of over 26,000—a net gain of 741 for the past year. It is a great pleasure and satisfaction to report to you that, with this large membership and all the work that this increase represents, there have been no troubles of sufficient importance to report to you for your consideration. Surely neither envy, discord nor confusion has interrupted that peace and tranquility which should characterize Masonic intercourse.

Among the decisions of the Grand Master are the following: (1) It is lawful for a lodge to contribute of its funds to the establishing of a hospital, to furnish a room in such hospital to be used by invalid Masons, or to do any act of charity; (2) A brother may be installed Master of a lodge, though his residence at the time may be in another jurisdiction.

He had decided that a brother cannot be installed Master unless he has received the Past Master's degree in a convocation of Actual Past Masters. Which means that the Past Master's degree as conferred in a body subordinate to a Grand Chapter does not qualify a brother for the Master's chair in a craft lodge. Neither should it qualify a brother to sit in a convocation of Actual Past Masters in the United States or a Board of Installed Masters in Canada.

One new lodge was formed by dispensation during the year.

The loss by death was announced of M. W. Bro. Nathan Clark Giffin, who was Grand Master in 1897.

Fraternal relations were established with the Grand Lodge of Puerto Rico.

On recommendation of the Committee on Jurisprudence Grand Lodge declined to become a member of the Masonic Relief Association of the United States and Canada, or to take action respecting the proposed memorial to Washington the Mason; and it advised that, as the McKinley monument at Canton, Ohio, was finished and paid for, any Mason receiving a chain letter soliciting money for that monument should disregard it. The

same committee recommended (and Grand Lodge approved the recommendation) that "to publish the fact that a certain man is to receive a Masonic degree at some future time, or to state that he has been elected or has received the E. A. degree or the F. C. degree, should not, in our judgment, be permitted."

M. W. Bro. Aldro Jenks continues to write the report on Foreign Correspondence. He gives his readers an excellent summary of the doings of sixty-four Grand Lodges (not including Canada, whose Proceedings had not reached him when he "went to press,"), and his remarks evince ability, wide knowledge, sound judgment, and that most uncommon of gifts, common sense.

Lodges in Wisconsin 265; members 26,421, a gain of 741.

Alexander E. Matheson, Janesville, Grand Master.

William W. Perry, Milwaukee, Grand Secretary.

WYOMING.

The thirty-seventh Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Wyoming was opened at Cheyenne September 6, 1911. Hugh Hynds, Grand Master. Twenty-four lodges were represented. Ten Past Grand Masters were present.

In opening his address the Grand Master said:

The year which has passed has been marked with many substantial benefits to us as members of our great brotherhood, whose universality is as extensive as the world itself, and whose influence and power are only limited by the confines of civilization. It gives me pleasure to announce to you that peace and good fellowship has prevailed throughout this jurisdiction, and that although we have not advanced with great strides, still we are increasing in numbers and influence. We have laid our Masonic foundation good and strong, and are building the superstructure upon it with care and deliberation, and upon the broad principles of morality, virtue and truth. Our financial condition and membership continue to improve and we may by economy and thrift confidently look forward to the accomplishment of some Masonic undertaking which will prove of lasting benefit to the membership of this Grand Lodge and Grand Jurisdiction.

One dispensation for the formation of a new lodge was issued during the year; and three corner stones were laid by Grand Lodge.

The Grand Master had visited a majority of all the lodges in the state during the year.

He recommended Masters of lodges to gather all the information possible respecting the early history of Masonry in Wyoming, especially from the old members of the craft, and forward the same to the Grand Secretary.

R. W. Bro. W. L. Kuykendall, the Grand Secretary, sent in his twenty-fifth annual report.

A brother moved that "when degree work is being done on any degree, in the lodge room of any subordinate lodge in this Grand Jurisdiction, smoking by any member present shall be considered as conduct unbecoming a Mason." But, on motion of a Past Grand Master, the resolution was "laid on the table." So that, while a candidate is witnessing the solemn and impressive ceremonies of Masonry in a Wyoming lodge, the incense of burning tobacco may reach his nostrils.

Grand Lodge resolved to levy a tax of 50 cents per member, to establish a fund for the Masonic home.

The excellent report of the committee on Foreign Correspondence is written by the Grand Secretary. R. W. Bro. W. L. Kuykendall.

Lodges in Wyoming 30; members 2,639, an increase of 85.

Harold Banmer, Casper, Grand Master.

W. L. Kuykendall, Saratoga, Grand Secretary.

CONCLUSION.

I regret that several Proceedings have not reached me in time for this review, but the last copy must be in the printer's hands at once, and I must submit to the inevitable.

The Masonic world has not, during the past year, been stirred by any questions of importance. Almost without exception, peace reigns and substantial progress is reported from every jurisdiction whose Proceedings have been received.

Mississippi continues its edict of non-intercourse against New Jersey because a lodge in the state last named has some colored men among its members; and Oklahoma has placed itself by the side of Mississippi. But the ripple of feeling thus displayed has not ruffled the placid bosom of the ocean of Masonry.

The action of the Secretary of War in the United States in forbidding the use of Masonic emblems in national cemeteries has occasioned considerable criticism. If all emblems were forbidden the action of the War Department would be easily understood, and would be received with general acquiescence; but when some are allowed, while Masonic emblems are barred, the ruling cannot fail to arouse resentment. No doubt the matter will be thrashed out in good time; but the time at present is not opportune. A Presidential election is pending, and public discussion of the question would be used for political purposes, no matter how guarded those might be who protest against the injustice complained of. When the election is over the business may be adjusted without danger of importing political feeling into the controversy.

The chain letters, soliciting money for the alleged purpose of erecting, at Canton, Ohio, a memorial to President McKinley, continue to be circulated, and no doubt dupes in great numbers continue to respond to the appeal. The McKinley memorial is finished and paid for. Mr. Justice Day, of the Supreme Court of the United States, permits the use of his name in support of this scheme for obtaining money by untruthful representations. His defense is that, though the memorial is finished and paid for, money is still wanted for its "endowment." If an endowment fund is needed by the citizens of Canton, Ohio, for their memorial, let

them solicit it openly as other mendicants do. But perhaps so many dupes would not respond to an appeal for an endowment fund as for the memorial to "the martyred President," which they think they are paying for. It is matter for extreme wonder that a Judge of the Supreme Court of the United States should permit the use of his name for the furtherance of such a scheme. And it is a greater wonder that the Masonic authorities of Ohio permit the miserable business to go on without condemnation, or even protest.

Another begging scheme which is being pushed to the limit is that of the so-called International Bureau of Switzerland. The ostensible object of the Bureau is to secure unity among all Masonic bodies throughout the world. Some Grand Bodies (notably the Grand Orient of France) have violated the fundamental principles of primitive Masonry, have banished the Volume of the Sacred Law from their altars and the name of the great Architect of the Universe from their ritual, and regular Masons have refused to hold fraternal intercourse with them. The gentlemen of the International Bureau hold that this is wrong, and that no matter how far a body calling itself Masonic may wander from the ancient path—no matter how Godless may be its teachings—it should still be recognized as a body of the true fold. Every clandestine pretender ought to be welcomed to the great fraternity, and every adventurer with ambition to gratify or a scheme to promote ought to be received with open arms. But all these appeals for "unity" are accompanied by stronger appeals for cash, and Masonry appears to be measured by the amount of money contributed to the treasury of the International Bureau.

In many states of the neighboring republic the question of jurisdiction over rejected material comes up from time to time. If a candidate rejected by a lodge in one state removes to another state, it is held that he must not be accepted in that other state without consent of the lodge which has rejected him. This doctrine does not appear to be based on sound reasoning. Each Grand Lodge is absolutely independent, and must be the sole judge of the character and qualifications of the material it will accept.

In several quarters the proposal is made that Masonry become a propaganda for world-wide peace. It

is urged that, if all Masons would unite to form a great peace society, the movement, gathering strength with the years, and attracting good men in all parts of the world, would become a power with irresistible strength, and would in the near future secure success. The influence of Masonry is, and always has been, for peace. Its teachings favor peace. It promotes friendly intercourse among men of different countries. In many ways it educates good men to discountenance strife. And its pacific tendency will no doubt increase and help to bring back the golden, Saturnian age when war shall be no more. But that age will not come in our time. Through the long procession of the ages men will come to learn that war is not only hateful but unnecessary. And Masonry will do its share to bring about the change so greatly desired.

Fraternally submitted,

A. T. FREED

Chairman.

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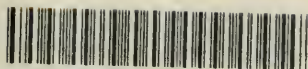
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